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BIRTHS

ANDERSON.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at 23, St. John's Hill, Shrewsbury, to Honor (née Wale), wife of Dr. F. A. Anderson—a son.

ASHTON.—On Jan. 27, 1930, in Rangoon, to Dorothy (née Gaitskell), wife of Hubert Ashton—a son.

BRADLEY.—On Jan. 26, 1930, at 43, Imperial-avenue, Westcliff-on-Sea, to Marjorie, wife of John R. Bradley—a daughter.

CLARKSON WEBB.—On Jan. 28, 1930, at Oakhampton, Northwood, Middlesex, to Hilda, wife of O. H. Clarkson Webb—a son (Oscar Philip).

DYKE.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at The Wilderness, Tyrrell's Wood, Leatherhead, to Zoë, wife of Oliver Hart Dyke—a daughter.

FISHER.—On Sunday, Jan. 26, 1930, at Repton, to the Headmaster of Repton and Mrs. Fisher—a son.

FRENCH.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at Bombay, to Alice, the wife of Francis Holroyd French—a daughter.

GULLICK.—On Jan. 25, 1930, at St. Mary's, Twyford, Winchester, to Esme, wife of Captain W. M. Gullick, M.C., The Hampshire Regiment—a son.

HAMOND.—On Jan. 26, 1930, the wife of Major Philip Hamond, Morston, Blakeney, of a son.

HOUSE.—On Jan. 26, 1930, at a nursing home, to Gwynedd, wife of Godfrey E. H. House, Hopewell, Pangbourne—a daughter.

HOWE.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at Windover, Harrow-on-the-Hill, to Nora (née Blaxill), wife of Dr. Graham Howe—a son (Graham Blaxill).

JOHNSON.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at Fox Hall, Upminster, Essex, to Olive, wife of Keith Holcombe Johnson—a son.

KING.—On Jan. 25, 1930, at Citizen House, Bath, to Consuelo Mary (née de Reyes), wife of Peter King—a daughter (Hilary).

LAVILLE.—On Jan. 13, 1930, at Singapore, Straits Settlements, to Florence Muriel, wife of L. V. J. Laville, Malayan Civil Service—a son.

MAYALL.—On Jan. 26, 1930, at The Red House, Windermere, to Mollie, wife of J. B. Mayall, Half-Pay List, late 20th The Lancashire Fusiliers—a daughter.

PEPLOE.—On Jan. 24, 1930, to Dorothy, wife of Major James Reid Peploe, Drumnessie, Bearsden, Glasgow—a son.

REID.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at 36, Ormonde-gate, Chelsea, to Gabriel (née Milne-Watson), wife of C. W. Reid—a son.

THORNEYCROFT.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at The Fields, Elberley, Co. Durham, to Barbara (née Greener), wife of J. A. C. Thorneycroft—a daughter.

WARNE BROWNE.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at a nursing home, Gosport, to Ruth (née Nicholson), wife of Flight-Lieut. T. Warne Browne, D.S.C.—a daughter.

WILLIS.—On Jan. 25, 1930, at 7, Spring Grove-road, Richmond, to Mollie, wife of John R. Willis—a son.

MARRIAGES

ADYE : BROOKE.—On Jan. 28, 1930, at Holy Trinity Church, Brompton, by the Rev. Prebendary Gough, John Frederic Adye, Royal Artillery, elder son of Major-General Sir John Adye, K.C.M.G., C.B., and the late Lady Adye, to Grace Désirée Brooke, only daughter of Brigadier-General C. R. Ingham Brooke, C.M.G., D.S.O., and the late Mrs. I. Brooke.

ALDRIDGE : NELSON.—On Jan. 25, 1930, at St. Saviour's, Walton-street, London, Robert Beauclerk Aldridge to Constance Winifred Nelson.

BOLUS : POOLE.—On Jan. 25, 1930, at the Parish Church, Urswick, Lieut. G. H. Bolus, R.N., to Sibyl, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Poole, of Bankfield Hall, Urswick, Lancs.

DUNHAM : THOMPSON.—On Jan. 25, 1930, at the Cathedral, Boston, Mass., Dows Dunham, of 140, New Hill-road, Jamaica Plain, Mass., to Marion Jessie, daughter of the late W. Whitaker Thompson, of Kensington.

GUILD : BRODIE.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at St. Cuthbert's Parish Church, Edinburgh, by the Rev. George F. MacLeod, M.C., assisted by the Rev. R. H. Wallace, Reginald Mackenzie Guild, W.S., son of the late Alexander Mackenzie Guild and Mrs. Guild, St. Andrews, to Mary Wilson, younger daughter of J. Wilson Brodie, C.A., 23, Belgrave-crescent, Edinburgh.

LAYTON BENNETT : COURTIS.—On Jan. 28, 1930, at St. Paul's, Knightsbridge, by the Rev. W. Gibbins, M.A., Lieut.-Comdr. Stuart John Layton Bennett to Madge Courtis, widow of Dr. Alan Courtis, of Oxted.

MASSEY : CLARKSON.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at St. Columba's, Pont-street, by the Rev. Archibald Fleming, D.D., John Kenneth Massey to Emily, third daughter of the late Robert Clarkson, of Avondale, Polmont, Stirlingshire.

WARDLAW RAMSAY : LOMBARDO.—On Jan. 18, 1930, in Constantinople, Ernest, youngest son of the late Robert George Wardlaw Ramsay, of Whitehill, to Delia, youngest daughter of Commendatore A. Lombardo.

DEATHS

ARBUTHNOTT.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at St. Raphael, France, Emma Marion, Dowager Viscountess Arbuthnott, widow of Walter Charles Warner, 13th Viscount of Arbuthnott. Funeral arrangements later.

BARNARD.—On Jan. 27, 1930, suddenly at the Law Society's Hall, Sir Edmund Broughton Barnard, O.B.E., D.L., J.P., of Sawbridgeworth, Herts. Funeral at St. Mary-the-Great Church, Sawbridgeworth, to-morrow (Thursday), at 3 p.m.

BARRETT.—On Jan. 25, 1930, at Sutherland-place, Bayswater, Alexander Vernon Barrett, aged 67.

BAZETT.—On Jan. 20, 1930, at Toronto, the result of an operation, Edward, youngest son of the late Rev. A. Y. Bazett, formerly Rector of Quedgeley, Gloucester.

BILLINGTON.—On Jan. 28, 1930, passed peacefully away at the residence of her son, Arthur Marston Billington, 43, Clarendon-road, Southsea, Louisa Billington, in her 86th year. Funeral, Christ Church, Portsdown Hill, Cosham, 11 a.m. Friday.

BROMLEY.—On Monday, Jan. 27, 1930, at The Firs, Endlesham-road, Nightingale-lane, S.W.12, Ellen Martha Bromley, eldest daughter of the late Joseph Roberts Bromley, of Great Bealings, Suffolk. Funeral to-day (Wednesday) at 12.30 at All Saints' Church, Wokingham. Flowers can be sent to the Verger at the Church.

CHATTERTON.—On Jan. 26 1930, at 5, Sidmonton-square, Bray, Florence Henrietta, widow of the Right Honourable Hedges Eyre Chatterton, P.C., Vice-Chancellor of Ireland, and daughter of the late Captain C. W. Gore, 72nd Highlanders.

COLEGRAVE.—On Jan. 27, 1930, William Henry Colegrave, Commander, O.B.E., R.D., R.N.R. (retired), of Chiphall, Wickham, Hants, son of the late William Colegrave, of Little Tew Grounds.

COPE.—On Jan. 26, 1930, at Broom Lodge, Cambridge-road, Bournemouth, Florence Erskine, for 50 years the beloved wife of Junius Leonard Cope.

CRAWSHAY.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at The Cottage, Hingham, after a short illness, Gertrude Martha Matilda, the last surviving daughter of the late Charles Crawshay, of Hingham, aged 67. Funeral at Hingham Parish Church, to-morrow (Thursday), 2.30 p.m.

CURRE.—On Sunday, Jan. 26, 1930, at Itton Court, Chepstow, Colonel Sir William Edward Carne Curre, Baronet, C.B.E., J.P., D.L., aged 74. Funeral at Itton Court to-day (Wednesday) at 3.30.

DRUMMOND.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at Stamford Hill Mansions, N.16, Mary Drummond, in her 85th year. Interment at Abney Park Cemetery on Saturday, Feb. 1. No flowers, by request.

DYCE NICOL.—On Jan. 27, 1930, suddenly, at Birsebeg, Aboyne, Aberdeenshire, Alice, beloved and devoted wife of James Dyce Nicol.

ELLIS.—On Jan. 23, 1930, at Bulawayo, Francis Reynolds Ellis, M.C., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (London), S.G.M.O. Rhodesian Medical Service, beloved husband of Muriel Floyd Ellis (née Andrews), and youngest son of late Colonel Fairfax Ellis, Royal Artillery, and Mrs. Fairfax Ellis, of Blackheath, London, aged 52.

EWINGS.—On Monday, Jan. 27, 1930, James Henry Ewings, of the London Stock Exchange, aged 75. Service 10.30 a.m. Friday, at Holy Trinity, Stroud Green, N.

FERGUSSON.—On Jan. 25, 1930, suddenly, at Hôtel Bristol, Bordighera, Mabel Frances Fergusson, in her 73rd year.

FORBES.—On Jan. 26, 1930, at Melbourne, Australia, Olive, wife of Alexander Stewart Forbes, eldest son of the late Alexander Forbes, of Whitchurch, Oxon.

GREEN.—On Jan. 28, 1930, at Thornfield, Tunbridge Wells, Sophie, widow of Frederick Green, aged 91.

HERVEY.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at The Lowlands, Alderley Edge, Cheshire, Gertrude, wife of the late Charles Hervey, in her 71st year. Service at St. Mary's Church, Alderley, to-morrow (Thursday), at 11.30 a.m., prior to interment at Macclesfield Cemetery, 12.15.

HESLOP.—On Jan. 23, 1930, at 75, Branston-road, Burton-on-Trent, Charles Heslop.

HORROW.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at South Bank, Claygate, Dorothy Violet Syer, the wife of Eric John Bentley Horrow.

HORNSBY.—On Jan. 18, 1930, at Calcutta, Arthur Conyngham Hornsby (Cony), youngest son of the late Lieut.-Col. H. F. Hornsby and Mrs. Hornsby, of 180, Oakwood-court, Kensington, W.

HYNE JONES.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at 22, Pembridge-villas, London, W.11, Thomas Hyne Jones, formerly of Buenos Aires, in his 97th year.

INGLIS.—On Jan. 24, 1930, at Los Angeles, California, Ernest Alexander Inglis, of Messrs. Balfour, Guthrie, and Co., Los Angeles, son of the late Alexander Inglis, St. Catherines, Leven, Fife.

ISAAC.—On Jan. 26, 1930, at Westwood House, Maldon, Essex, Sydney Isaac, B.A., formerly Senior Master at Burlington House, Fareham. Service at All Saints' Church, Maldon, to-morrow (Thursday), at 2.30.

KEELE.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at Glencairn, Fairview-road, Sutton, very suddenly, John Daniel Keele, in his 53rd year.

DEATHS (continued)

KINDERSLEY.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at Glenwood, Claygate, Grace, daughter of the late John Robert Kindersley, Judge of the High Court, Madras, aged 67. Funeral at Claygate Parish Church to-day (Wednesday) at 3 o'clock.

KING-PAGE.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at 12, Longfellow-road, Worthing, Sarah, widow of Augustus King-Page, aged 71. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday), Elmers End Cemetery, at 12.30.

KNOX.—On Jan. 28, 1930, at Arosa, Switzerland, after a long and grievous illness, Margaret Normana Macleod (Lolla), beloved wife of Thomas Malcolm Knox, 1, Kewferry-drive, Northwood, Middlesex.

LANDALE.—On Sunday afternoon, Jan. 26, 1930, at her sister's house, Freestone Cottage, King's Stanley, Glos, Elizabeth Jane Landale, widow of Robert James Landale, M.A., of 48, Inverleith-place, Edinburgh, aged 70. No flowers, at her request. Interment in Edinburgh to-morrow (Thursday).

LAST.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at 32, Marlborough-hill, N.W.8, Florence Sophia, niece and adopted daughter of the late William Courthope, Somerset Herald, wife of the late Rev. Joseph Last, sometime Anglican Chaplain at Geneva, in her 80th year. Cremation Golders Green to-morrow (Thursday), 11.30. No flowers, no mourning, by her special request.

LAWFORD.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at a nursing home, Herbert Bowring Lawford, beloved husband of Clara Copeland Lawford, of 13, Abbotswood-road, Streatham, London, S.W.16. Funeral at West Norwood Crematorium to-morrow (Thursday) at 1.30 p.m.

LEEFE.—On Jan. 26, 1930, at The Cottage, Farnham, Surrey, Julia Mary Leefe (née Gurney), widow of General John Beckwith Leefe, R.M.A. Funeral to-day (Wednesday), 2.30.

MACARTNEY.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at Brighton, of heart failure, James Macartney, M.D., Lt.-Col., late R.A.M.C. R.I.P.

McNIEL.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at Tadcaster, Walton-on-Thames, Frederick Pearce McNiel, aged 57 years. Interment Surbiton Cemetery, noon to-morrow (Thursday).

MANN.—On Jan. 26, 1930, at 3, Tisbury-road, Hove, G. A. Mann. Funeral at Hove Cemetery on Friday, Jan. 31, at 11.30.

MAXWELL.—On Jan. 28, 1930, at Hobart, Tasmania, Mrs. Crawford Maxwell (Emily), aged 82 years. (By cable.)

MILLEDGE.—On Jan. 28, 1930, at 44, Sussex-square, Brighton, Walter Milledge, aged 59 years. Cremation at Woking Crematorium, to-morrow (Thursday), at 11 o'clock. No mourning.

MORRIS.—On Jan. 27, 1930, Elizabeth, the dearly beloved wife of the late Lt.-Col. Joseph Morris, M.V.O., of 15, Montpelier-road, Ealing, aged 96. Service at St. Peter's Church, Ealing, to-morrow (Thursday), at 12 noon.

MUSGRAVE.—On Jan. 28, 1930, at his residence, West Wood, Phillipps-avenue, Exmouth, James Musgrave, beloved husband of Kathleen C. Musgrave, late of Lincoln, Buenos Aires, in his 70th year.

MUSPRATT.—On Jan. 25, 1930, at Toronto, Rudolph, the elder twin son of the late Rudolph Muspratt, of Liverpool, aged ten months.

NEUSCHWANDER.—On Jan. 15, 1930, at Marseilles, Paul Neuschwander, late of Hôtel du Louvre et de la Paix, in his 56th year.

NUTTING.—On Jan. 28, 1930, at 22, Rutland Court, S.W.7, Frederick George Nutting, of Achentoul, Kinbrace, Sutherland, aged 72. Funeral at Redland Green Chapel, Clifton, Bristol, on Friday, Jan. 31, at 2 p.m.

PARKER-JERVIS.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at 25, Kensington Court-gardens, Bridget Harriett, wife of T. S. Parker-Jervis, late of Footherley Hall, Lichfield. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday), at Aston-by-Stone, at 2.30 p.m. Train 10.35 Euston to Stafford; cars meet arrival. Flowers to Stone Station.

PASK.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at a nursing home in Richmond, James Morton Pask, of "Stromboli," Parkstone, Dorset, Naval Instructor, R.N., retired, in his 82nd year. Funeral on Friday, Jan. 31, at 2 o'clock, at Wimborne-road Cemetery, Bournemouth. Friends kindly accept this intimation. Flowers may be sent to the Cemetery Lodge.

PRENTICE.—On Jan. 25, 1930, at Bournemouth, Mabel Clare Prentice, widow of James Douglas Prentice, of Victoria, B.C. Requiem Mass, St. Joseph's Church, Roehampton, to-morrow (Thursday), at 11.30. Interment Putney Vale Cemetery, at 12.30. Flowers to Messrs. J. J. Allen, Ltd., 32, Sloane-street, S.W.1.

PURVES.—On Jan. 28, 1930, at 10, Brompton-square, Charlotte Purves, widow of James Oliver Purves. Service 11.30 to-morrow (Thursday) at Holy Trinity, Brompton.

ROWLATT.—On Jan. 24, 1930, at 54, Bath-road, W.4, Mary Redward Rowlatt, daughter of the late Commander William Rowlatt, R.N., in her 87th year.

SCARLETT.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at 89, Geraldine-road, Wandsworth Common, James Scarlett. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday) from the house. Will friends please accept this, the only intimation. No flowers, by request.

SELBY.—On Jan. 9, 1930, at Seville, suddenly, Richard Selby, of Wood Farm, Windermere. Funeral at Troutbeck Church to-morrow (Thursday), at 12. No flowers.

SELIGMAN.—On Jan. 27, 1930, suddenly, Herbert Frederick Seligman, of "The Cottage," Pownall-avenue, Bramhall, Cheshire, the very dearly loved husband of Emmie Seligman, last surviving son of the late Herman and Rosa Seligman, of Victoria Park, Manchester, aged 65 years.

SIMPSON.—On Jan. 26, 1930, at a nursing home in London, Frances Adelaide, widow of Professor P. A. Simpson, of Glasgow University, aged 81. No flowers, by request.

SMITH.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at Nice, France, after short illness, Rachel Margaret Smith, late of 38, Halford-road, Richmond. (Sydney papers, please copy.)

STACEY.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at Langton Green, Edith, second daughter of William and Julia Augusta Stacey. No flowers.

STAREY.—On Jan. 27, 1930, suddenly at 59, Middle-lane, Hornsey, N.8, Alfred Edward Starey. Service at Holy Innocents' Church, Hornsey, on Friday, at 2 p.m. Interment at Highgate Old Cemetery about 2.40.

TAIT.—On Jan. 26, 1930, at Edinburgh, William Edgar Tait, of Invercargill, New Zealand, third and last surviving son of the late James Tait, W.S., of Langrigg, Berwickshire, and Edenside, Kelso, aged 75.

TANTON.—On Jan. 28, 1930, at Torrington, Reigate-road, Brighton, Hephzibah Agnes, beloved wife of Thomas H. L. Tanton, aged 76 years. Funeral at Hove Cemetery on Saturday, Feb. 1, at 12 noon.

THEOBALD.—On Jan. 27, 1930, at Eastgate House, Chichester, the Rev. Charles Theobald, Hon. Canon of Winchester Cathedral, Rector of Chale, I.W., 1862-83, of Lasham, Hants, 1883-1923, second son of the late James Theobald, Esquire, of Winchester and Grays, Essex, in his 99th year. Funeral at Lasham to-morrow (Thursday) at 3 p.m. Train leaving Waterloo at 12.40 will be met at Alton.

TRELAWNY.—On Jan. 23, 1930, at Grand Hôtel des Alpes, Territet, Switzerland, Dame Katherine Penelope, the wife of Sir John William Salusbury Trelawny, Bt. Funeral Kensal Green Cemetery noon to-day (Wednesday). Flowers to Messrs. Kenyon, 45, Edgware-road.

WHITE.—On Jan. 22, 1930, in London, Alexander William Miller White, eldest son of the late Alexander Miller White and Frances M. W. V. White, aged 65.

WILLIAMS.—On Jan. 25, 1930, at Roath Court, Cardiff, Millicent Frances, widow of Charles Henry Williams, Esquire. Funeral to-day (Wednesday), 2.30 p.m., at St. Margaret's, Roath, Cardiff.

WILLOUGHBY.—On Jan. 28, 1930, at The Cottage, Wilford, Cecil Edward Willoughby, R.N. (retired), in his 79th year. Funeral service and interment at Wilford Hill Cemetery, Friday, Jan. 31, at 2.30.

WIMBLE.—On Jan. 28, 1930, Clarence Wimble, dear brother of Mrs. J. J. Smith, of 6, Welbeck House, W.1. (By cable.)

WOOD.—On Jan. 25, 1930, suddenly, at "Yutoi," Canford Cliffs, Russell Howard Wood, C.B.E. Funeral at Parkstone Cemetery at 3 o'clock to-day (Wednesday), preceded by service at the Church of the Transfiguration.

WRENTMORE.—On Jan. 26, 1930, at Gravesend Hospital, following an accident, Katharine, widow of I. Harris Wrentmore, of Bedford-row, and of Hampstead, aged 87. Funeral to-day (Wednesday), Brompton Cemetery, at 12 noon. No flowers, by request.

IN MEMORIAM

LEA.—In tender and loving remembrance of my darling husband, Hugh Cecil Lea, who passed away on Jan. 29, 1926.
Always in my thoughts, dearest.—A.

LEA.—In fondest memory of Hugh Cecil Lea, who died Jan. 29, 1926.—Mother and Hilda.

MAWER.—In most loving and happy memory of Clara Isabella Mawer, who fell asleep Jan. 29, 1921; and of George Henry Mawer, who fell asleep Feb. 25, 1923.—I. C. M.
"Waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

MULL.—In loving memory of our dear Walter M. Mull, Jan. 29, 1929.—Connie, Irene, and Phyllis.
Always in our thoughts.

NEGRETTI.—In ever dear memory of Henry Paul Joseph Negretti, who died Jan. 29, 1919.

NEUMANN.—In loving memory of Ernest Neumann, who passed away on Jan. 29, 1922.

RAWLINGS.—(Theo Bonheur, Oscar Verne, Gordon Temple, Maurice Telma Faulkner Brandon, Paul Perrier, Emerson James, Auguste Cons, Dennis Duprez, Jean Douste, Gilbert Loewe, &c., &c.).—To the memory of Charles Arthur Rawlings, composer of music, who died Jan. 29, 1919, in his 64th year. Loved by all who knew him.
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Ship.	Tons.	Commander.	London.	M'seilles.
Rawalpindi	16,600	Stringer	—	Jan. 31
*†Kaisar-i-Hind	11,500	Headlam	Jan. 31	Feb. 7
Narkunda	16,500	Parker	Feb. 7	Feb. 14
*†Rampura	16,600	Furlong	Feb. 14	Feb. 21
Razmak	11,000	Thornton	Feb. 21	Feb. 28
*†Ranchi	16,600	Brooks	Feb. 28	Mar. 7
Mooltan	21,000	Townshend	Mar. 7	Mar. 14
*†Morea	11,000	Holland	Mar. 14	Mar. 21
Razmak	11,000	Thornton	—	Mar. 28
†Viceroy of India	19,700	Ohlson	Mar. 28	Apr. 4
Maloja	21,000	Browning	Apr. 4	Apr. 11
†Kaisar-i-Hind	11,500	Headlam	Apr. 11	Apr. 18
Rampura	16,600	Furlong	Apr. 17	Apr. 25
†Macedonia	11,000	Morton	Apr. 25	May 2

FORTNIGHTLY TO AUSTRALIA.
From London and Marseilles.

Ship.	Tons.	Commander.	London.	M'seilles.
‡†Mongolia	16,500	Rhodes	—	Jan. 30
Narkunda	16,500	Parker	Feb. 7	Feb. 14
§Cathay	15,000	Griffin	Feb. 21	Feb. 27
Mooltan	21,000	Townshend	Mar. 7	Mar. 14
§Chitral	15,000	Siggers	Mar. 21	Mar. 27
Maloja	21,000	Browning	Apr. 4	Apr. 11
‡†Moldavia	16,500	Allin	Apr. 17	Apr. 24
Naldera	16,000	Harrison	May 2	May 9
‡†Mongolia	16,500	Rhodes	May 16	May 23
Narkunda	16,500	Parker	May 30	June 6
§Cathay	15,000	Griffin	June 13	June 19
Mooltan	21,000	Townshend	June 27	July 4

‡ Taking also 3rd cabin passengers for Australian ports.

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Ship.	Tons.	Commander.	London.	M'seilles.
†Nagoya	7,000	Cooper	Jan. 31	—
Padua (cargo)	7,736	—	Feb. 14	—
Bhutan (cargo)	6,000	—	Feb. 28	—

Taking passengers for * Algiers, † Malta, § Port Sudan.

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Ship.	Tons.	Commander.	London.	M'seilles.
Rawalpindi	16,600	Stringer	—	Jan. 31
Nagpore (cargo)	5,283	—	Jan. 31	—
Malwa	11,000	Britten	Feb. 7	Feb. 14
Rajputana	16,600	Cadiz	Feb. 21	Feb. 28
*Beltana (cargo)	11,167	—	Feb. 22	—
*Khyber	9,000	Bedwell	Feb. 28	—
Kashgar	9,000	Sudell	Mar. 6	—
Mantua	11,000	Hignett	Mar. 21	Mar. 28

* Not calling Southampton.

BRITISH INDIA.

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BOMBAY, PORT OKHA, AND/OR BEDI BUNDER (JAMNAGAR) AND KARACHI.

Ship.	Tons.	Antwerp.	Mid'sbro.	LONDON
‡DUMANA	8,427	Feb. 1	Feb. 8	Feb. 15
‡DOMALA	8,441	Feb. 22	Mar. 1	Mar. 8
*MUNDRA	7,275	Mar. 22	Mar. 18	Mar. 29
*MASULA	7,261	Apl. 12	Apl. 8	Apl. 19

* Cargo Steamer.
‡ Not calling Port Okha and Bedi Bunder.

COLOMBO, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

Ship.	Tons.	Antwerp.	Mid'sbro.	LONDON
MASHOBRA	8,324	—	Feb. 1	Feb. 8
MANTOLA	9,066	Feb. 5	Feb. 15	Feb. 22
MANDALA	8,246	Feb. 19	Mar. 1	Mar. 8
MANELA	8,303	Mar. 5	Mar. 15	Mar. 22

PORT SUDAN, ADEN, AND EAST AFRICAN PORTS.

Ship.	Tons.	Antwerp.	Mid'sbro.	LONDON	M'seilles
MATIANA	9,067	—	Feb. 5	Feb. 14	Feb. 22
MALDA	9,066	Feb. 22	Mar. 5	Mar. 14	Mar. 22
MODASA	9,070	Mar. 22	Apl. 2	Apl. 11	Apl. 19
MADURA	9,077	Apl. 19	Apl. 30	May 9	May 17

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Ship.	Tons.	Mid'sbro.	Immingham	LONDON
A STEAMER	—	—	—	—

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ORAMA	20,000	Mar. 1	Mar. 7	Mar. 9
ORMONDE	15,000	Mar. 15	Mar. 21	Mar. 23
ORSOVA	12,000	Mar. 29	Apl. 4	Apl. 6
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ORONSAY	20,000	May 24	May 30	June 1
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City of Venice	8,308	Mar. 4	Bombay and Karachi
City of Calcutta	8,421	Mar. 5	Colombo and Calcutta
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MAURETANIA .. Feb. 5 ASCANIA .. Feb. 7
LIVERPOOL—COBH—NEW YORK.
*SCYTHIA - - FEB. 1
†LANCASTRIA .. Feb. 8 *ANDANIA .. Feb. 15
† Calls Galway.
* Via Belfast and Glasgow, not Cobh.
SOUTHAMPTON—CHERBOURG—HALIFAX, N.S.
ASCANIA - - FEB. 7
*ALAUNIA .. Feb. 14 AUSONIA .. Feb. 21
* Calls Cobh.
LIVERPOOL-BELFAST-GLASGOW-HALIFAX, N.S.
SCYTHIA - - FEB. 1
ANDANIA .. Feb. 15 SCYTHIA .. Mar. 1

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By "LACONIA" (20,000 tons) from Southampton. To MEDITERRANEAN, March 1st, 25 days, from 50 guineas. To ATLANTIC ISLES & NORTH AFRICA, March 29, 16 days, from 30 guineas.

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LIVERPOOL—BOSTON—NEW YORK.
Via Queenstown.
Cedric .. Sat., Feb. 1 | Baltic .. Sat., Feb. 15
(2)*†Albertic Sat., Feb. 8 | (2)*†Doric .. Sat., Feb. 22
† Via Belfast and Glasgow instead of Queenstown.
(2) Not calling Boston. * Via Halifax, N.S.

LIVERPOOL—HALIFAX, N.S.
Albertic .. Sat., Feb. 8 | Doric .. Sat., Feb. 22

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Megantic .. .. Tues., Mar. 4
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(4) Westernland	Feb. 7	Feb. 8
(4) Pennland	Feb. 21	Feb. 22

TO CANADA.

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*ARLANZA	14,930	Jan. 31	—
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DARRO	11,484	—	Feb. 15
*ALMANZORA	15,551	Feb. 28	—
DESEADO	11,477	—	Mar. 1
*ALCANTARA (M.V.)	22,181	Mar. 14	—
DESNA	11,483	—	Mar. 15
*ARLANZA	14,930	Mar. 28	—

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EMPRESS OF FRANCE (B.G.) (to New York) Jan. 29
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MONTROSE (B.G.) .. Feb. 14
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EMPRESS OF FRANCE (to New York) .. Jan. 30
MONTCALM .. Feb. 1 | MELITA .. Feb. 8

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DAIMLER 20-h.p. Saloon 1930 Model, painted blue, with leather upholstery; 3,000 miles only; owner acquiring larger Daimler. £575.—(H.), Innisfree, Hillview-gardens, Hendon, N.W.4.

HUMBER SNIPE SALOON, 1930, brand new and unregistered; finished in black fabric, with brown leather upholstery; sliding roof; owner ordered abroad; car will be delivered this week. Price £545.—Write Box M.1168, The Times, E.C.4.

MINERVA 1929, £700, 18 h.p. Van Den Plas Drophead Coupé; 6,000 miles; taxed; genuinely faultless. Offers wanted. Instalment terms arranged.—Telephone Owner, Paddington 8749.

MINERVA 34 h.p. Limousine, Windover body; condition equal to new. Price £600.—Apply Colonel Parkinson, 13, Onslow-crescent, S.W.7.

TWO Brand New late 1929 Phantom I. ROLLS-ROYCE Chassis. One fitted with four-door Saloon body by Hooper, accept very low price of £1,975. Second fitted with Saloon with division, two occasional seats, by Victor Broom. Can be painted and trimmed to choice. Delivery two weeks. £2,100.—VICTOR BROOM, Ltd., Coachbuilders, Rochester-road, N.W.1.

WOLSELEY 1929 (April), £650 Eight Cylinder Limousine; 8,000 miles; genuinely faultless; offers wanted. Instalment terms arranged.—Telephone Owner, Paddington 8749.

1929 ROVER 2-litre Regal Sportsman's Coupé; two spare wheels unused; black and green; safety glass; Dewandre brakes; one owner; magnificent condition throughout; 280 guineas.—Major Coe, 3-7, Southampton-street, Strand.

1930 WOLSELEY 21/60 Saloon Landaulette; cost £750; mileage 1,500; £525. 1927 WOLSELEY 16/45 Saloon; perfect; £175.—169, Shaftesbury-avenue. 'Phone, Temple Bar 4861.

FOR HIRE

OWNER-DRIVE, NEW STYLE.—Drive yourself in a 1930 Buick or Buick-built Marquette Saloon or Roadster. Drive as long as you like and pay only for the distance driven.
Rates: Marquette from 8d. a mile. Buick from 10d. a mile, including petrol and oil, with or without chauffeur.
Special evening rate, from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., 6d. a mile (minimum 40 miles, 20s.), including petrol, oil, and insurance.
GODFREY DAVIS and COMPANY, 26, Albemarle-street, W.1. Regent 7618-9.

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TROUBLE-FREE MOTORING!
ABSOLUTELY care-free motoring is at your disposal. Let us clean, grease, garage, and maintain your car, and provide petrol, oil, and chauffeur. From £375 per annum. Owner-drivers' cars cleaned, greased, garaged, and fetched to and from their residences. From £1 per week.—LE GRICE ELERS, Ltd., 27, Sussex-place, South Kensington, S.W.7. 'Phone, Ken. 9477.

MOTOR TUITION

THE BRITISH SCHOOL OF MOTORING
PRIVATE DRIVING LESSONS on latest cars. Various makes. Saloon or open. AT TIMES TO SUIT EACH PUPIL. Call, write, or 'phone Secretary, B.S.M., Ltd., 5, Coventry-street, Piccadilly-circus, W.1. Regent 7141. Estab. 20 years. 66,000 taught.

LEGAL NOTICES

CHARLOTTE PLEACE deceased—Pursuant to The Trustee Act 1925 Notice is hereby given that all persons having any CLAIMS against the ESTATE of CHARLOTTE PLEACE formerly of 70 Upper Gloucester Place Marylebone but late of 29 Upper Park Place, Marylebone Spinster who died on the 25th February 1929 and whose Will with a Codicil thereto was proved on the 12th August 1929 in the Principal Probate Registry by John Daniel Vallance and Alfred Peers Paine the executors are hereby required to send particulars in writing of such claims to the undersigned Solicitors on or before the 5th April 1930 after which date the assets of the deceased will be distributed amongst the persons entitled thereto having regard only to claims of which notice shall then have been given.
Dated this 27th day of January 1930.
VALLANCE & VALLANCE, 20 Essex Street, Strand, London, W.C.2. Solicitors for the executors.

LEGAL NOTICES (continued)

FREDERICK WILLIAM THOMAS Deceased Pursuant to the Trustee Act 1925 (as amended) Notice is hereby given, that all persons having any CLAIMS against the ESTATE of FREDERICK WILLIAM THOMAS late of Combe Wood Cottage in the County of Sussex, and of 3 Chilworth Street Paddington in the County of London formerly a Major in His Majesty's Army, deceased who died on the 6th day of November 1929, and whose Will was proved in the Principal Probate Registry on the 18th day of January 1930 by The Royal Exchange Assurance the Executor therein named, are hereby required to send particulars in writing of their claims or demands to us the undersigned as Solicitors for the Executor on or before the 7th day of April 1930 after which date the Executor will proceed with the distribution of the assets of the said Deceased amongst the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the debts claims and demands of which the Executor shall then have had notice; and the Executor will not be liable for the assets of the said Deceased, or any part thereof so distributed to any person or persons of whose claims or demands notice shall not then have been received.
Dated this 27th day of January 1930.
PHILLIPS & CUMMINGS, Abchurch House, Sherborne Lane, King William-street, E.C.4, Solicitors for the said Executor.

FITZHUGH CONWAY LYON Deceased Pursuant to the Trustee Act, 1925. Notice is hereby given that all CREDITORS and other persons having any claims or demands against the Estate of FITZHUGH CONWAY LYON late of 183 Brompton Road Kensington London S.W. deceased who died at St. George's Hospital Hyde Park London on the 24th day of November 1929 and Letters of Administration (with the Will annexed) of whose Estate were granted by the Principal Registry of the Probate Division of His Majesty's High Court of Justice on the 25th day of January 1930 to Dawson Risch Miller (the Administrator of the Estate of the said deceased) are hereby required to send the particulars in writing, of their claims or demands to us the undersigned as Solicitors for the said Administrator on or before the 2nd day of April 1930 after which date the said Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the debts, claims and demands of which he shall then have had notice; and he will not be liable for the assets of the said deceased, or any part thereof, so distributed, to any person or persons of whose claims or demands he shall not then have had notice.
Dated this 28th day of January 1930.
RIDSDALE & SON, 5 Grays Inn Square London W.C.1, Solicitors for the said Dawson Risch Miller.

No. 00556 of 1929
IN the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division Mr. Justice Maugham. In the Matter of KARRIER MOTORS Limited and In the Matter of the Companies Act 1929.
Notice is hereby given that a PETITION was on the 14th day of December 1929 presented to His Majesty's High Court of Justice for (a) the SANCTIONING of a SCHEME of ARRANGEMENT between the Company and the holders of its Preference and Ordinary Shares and (b) the CONFIRMATION of the REDUCTION of the CAPITAL of the above-named Company from £550,000 to £250,510.
And Notice is further given that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Honourable Mr. Justice Maugham at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London on Monday the 10th day of February 1930.
Any Creditor or shareholder of the said company desiring to oppose the making of an Order sanctioning the said Scheme of Arrangement and confirming the said reduction of capital should appear at the time of hearing in person or by Counsel for that purpose.
A Copy of the said Petition will be furnished to any such person requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charge for the same.
Dated the 24th day of January 1930.
SIMMONS & SIMMONS, 1, Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.2. Solicitors for the Company.

1929 C. No. 056
IN the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division Mr. Justice Luxmoore In the Matter of CARGO FLEET IRON COMPANY Limited and In the Matter of The Companies Act 1929
Notice is hereby given that a PETITION was on the 12th day of December 1929 presented to His Majesty's High Court of Justice by South Durham Steel and Iron Company Limited (below called "the South Durham Company") for authority to give notice under Section 155 of the above Act to ACQUIRE all the SHARES in the above named Cargo Fleet Iron Company Limited (below called "the Cargo Fleet Company") held by persons other than the South Durham Company on the terms offered by the South Durham Company to the Shareholders of the Cargo Fleet Company on the 1st November 1928 and accepted by the holders of more than nine-tenths of the issued shares of the Cargo Fleet Company, namely:—the issue of three fully paid £1 "B" Shares of the South Durham Company in exchange for five Shares of the Cargo Fleet Company, fractional holdings of less than five shares of the Cargo Fleet Company being paid for in cash at the price of 12s. per share, or on such other terms as the Court may direct.
And notice is further given that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Honourable Mr. Justice Luxmoore on Tuesday, the 18th day of February, 1930, and that any Shareholder of the Cargo Fleet Company desirous of opposing the making of an Order authorising the acquisition of the outstanding Shares of that Company by the South Durham Company on the terms aforesaid, or of submitting to the Court his views as to the terms upon which the acquisition of the said shares should be authorised, may appear at the time of hearing by himself or his Counsel for the purpose.
A copy of the said Petition will be furnished to any such Shareholder requiring the same by the South Durham Company's Solicitors, Messrs. Johnson, Weatherall, Sturt & Hardy, of 7, King's Bench Walk, Temple, London, E.C.4, on payment of the regulated charge for the same.
Dated the 28th day of January, 1930.
JOHNSON WEATHERALL STURT & HARDY, 7 King's Bench Walk, Temple, London, E.C.4. Solicitors for the South Durham Steel and Iron Company Limited.

IN the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Probate, Divorce and Admiralty Division (Probate) JOHN ALEXANDER DICKINSON deceased. Notice is hereby given that after the expiration of eight days APPLICATION will be made in the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice for the SEALING of the PROBATE of the WILL of JOHN ALEXANDER DICKINSON late of "Roseall" Mervyn Crescent Ivanhoe in the State of Victoria Gentleman deceased granted by the Supreme Court of Victoria at Melbourne on the 8th day of November, 1929.
BARTLETT & GLUCKSTEIN, 199, Piccadilly, London, W.1. Solicitors for Bertram Arthur Levinson the Attorney of Mary Dickinson and Harry Binks Murphy, the Executrix and Executor named in the said Will.

00274 of 1929.
IN the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division Mr. Justice Maugham. In the Matter of the BACARES IRON ORE MINES Limited and In the Matter of the Companies Act 1929. Notice is hereby given that the ORDER of the High Court of Justice Chancery Division dated the 13th day of January 1930 CONFIRMING the REDUCTION of the CAPITAL of the above named Company from £135,000 to £108,000 and the Minute approved by the Court showing with respect to the capital of the Company as altered the several particulars required by the above Statute was registered by the Registrar of Companies the 24th day of January 1930.
Dated the 28th day of January 1930.
PARKER GARRETT & Co. St. Michael's Rectory Cornhill London E.C.3. Solicitors for the above named Company.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1929. L. LUMLEY & Co., Limited. Notice is hereby given that CREDITORS of the above named Company are required on or before the 28th day of February 1930 to send their names, addresses and the particulars of their debts or claims to the undersigned as Liquidator of the said Company; and if so required in writing from the said Liquidator are personally or by their Solicitors to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts or claims are proved.
Dated the 25th day of January 1930.
W. E. OGDEN, Liquidator, Audrey House, Ely Place, London, E.C.1.

WILLIAMS MOSS & Co., Ltd. Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 238 of the Companies Act, 1929 that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Chinchase, Wood & Jacobs, 39, Berners Street, London, W.1, on Wednesday, the 5th day of February, 1930 at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon for the purposes provided in the said Section.
S. ABRAHAMS Director.

ARTICLES FOR SALE AND WANTED

ANTIQUES, CURIOS, &c.

ANTIQUE SILVER, JEWELLERY, OLD GOLD, &c., purchased for cash; best prices given.—Le Cheminant and Co., 97, Wimpole-street, W.1. Est. 1822.

FURNITURE

FURNITURE.—IMPORTANT PRIVATE SALE of new and second-hand. By order of the Trustees and others is now being sold at one-third original cost, removed from GROSVENOR-GARDENS, S.W., and YEOVIL, SOMERSET; also a consignment of New Furniture, manufactured for the OVERSEAS CLUB, NEW ZEALAND. Among these goods are several very well-made bed room, dining and drawing room suites. Every item for furnishing equal to new. Below a few items: 45 bed-room suites, comprising wardrobes, dressing chests, cupboard stand, one chair, bed and spring, the lot £6 15s.; 20 double-sized ditto in waxed oak, mahogany, walnut, Queen Anne and other periods, from 11gns. to 150gns.; 175 lounge chairs, beautifully sprung in art linen, from 25s. to 10gns.; Chesterfields to match; 130 real hide club chairs, fully sprung, fitted with leather cushions, £4 15s. each, cost double; a few settees to match; 25 gentlemen's fitted wardrobes from £4 10s.
WE CALL SPECIAL ATTENTION to the following goods recently the property of a well-known financier, removed here for convenience of sale, only in use six months, comprising contents of three bed rooms, dining room in Chippendale period, drawing room, lounge, &c. Bed room No. 1 comprising Italian figured walnut hand-made bed room suite, complete with twin beds and staples springs, 36gns. the lot, cost double. Bed room No. 2, similar lot in French grey walnut, equally cheap. Dining room, magnificent three-piece cow hide suite, at 21gns., cost 35gns. Also super sprung settee fitted down cushions and two lounge chairs in linen, 16gns., worth 30gns. Dining room, comprising 5ft. Serpentine hand made sideboard, oval ball and claw dining table, set ball and claw hide seat chairs, lot £65, cost £120. Any of the above items sold separately.
All goods bought can remain stored free and packed for country. On view 9-7.30.
A. MARSH & CO., LTD.,
Furniture Depositories
(Patronized by the Crown Agents for the Colonies),
114-118, KENTISH TOWN-ROAD, N.W.1.
10min. Oxford and Piccadilly circuses, and all principal rail termini. Est. 1857. North 0758.

SALE OF FURNITURE AT LESS THAN AUCTION PRICES.
PROPERTIES removed from numerous West End Residences, comprising
Lounge chairs from 35s., settees from 6gns., dining tables, mahogany sideboards, writing tables, leather tops, large quantity of old English chests of drawers from £5 5s., tallboy chests, gent.'s wardrobes, dressing tables, quantity of old oak, including trestle tables from 8gns.; Elizabethan buffet; set of chairs. French cabinets, mirrors, china and glass, leather screens, triple mirrors, from £2 10s. Seen daily from 9 to 6 (Saturdays close at 1). Good second-hand and old furniture purchased or taken in exchange.
AUCTION SALES CONDUCTED TOWN OR COUNTRY.
CADOGAN FURNITURE GALLERIES, LTD., 162, Sloane-street, S.W.1 (near Sloane-square).

PIANOFORTES

LIPP BABY GRAND; cost 200 guineas; equal new; sacrifice £100 or near offer.—Write Box 0428, The Times, 72, Regent-street, W.1.

PIANO BARGAINS. — GROTRIAN, STEINWEG PIANOS, GRANDS and UPRIGHTS; showroom models and others from short hire, equal to new, carry full guarantee, at 25 per cent. below to-day's prices. Also second-hand pianos by Steinway, Blüthner, Bechstein, &c., taken in part exchange; thoroughly reconditioned and guaranteed; at great bargain prices. Deferred payment terms, generous allowances for pianos taken in part payment.—GROTRIAN-STEINWEG, Ltd., Dept. T., Grotrian Hall, 115, Wigmore-street, W.1.

WEARING APPAREL

A Good Price by MITCHELL'S, 305, High Holborn, W.C.1. Ladies', Gentlemen's DISCARDED CLOTHING, FURS, Uniforms, Linen, Teeth, Jewellery, Plate, &c. Buyer attends or cash by return. Holborn 7127. Est. 1860.

MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES

ARTIFICIAL TEETH.—Platinum, Gold, Vulcanite, Jewellery, Old Gold, &c. Top prices, owing to present high value. Cash at once.—Call or post, Paget and Co. (Dept. T.), 219, Oxford-street, W. Est. 150 years.

100,000 STEEL FENCING STANDARDS for SALE; Army huts, also wire.—Apply Army Surplus Depot, Yeovil, Somerset.

PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS

COUNTY of DURHAM.
APPOINTMENT of DEPUTY COUNTY ENGINEER and SURVEYOR.
The County Council of Durham are prepared to receive APPLICATIONS for the POSITION of DEPUTY COUNTY ENGINEER and SURVEYOR.
The person appointed will be required to devote the whole of his time to the duties of the office and to act as the Chief Assistant to the County Engineer and Surveyor in the control, management, and administration of the Highways Department of the Council.
The salary will be at the rate of £800 per annum.
The appointment will be subject to three calendar months' notice on either side.
Applicants must have special qualifications as to the construction of roads and bridges, and should be Corporate Members of the Institution of Civil Engineers or Members of the Institution of Municipal and County Engineers by examination.
The appointment is a Designated Post under the Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922, which has been adopted by the County Council, and the person appointed will be subject to the provisions of such Act, and will be required to pass a medical examination previous to appointment.
Applications, endorsed "Deputy County Surveyor," together with copies of not more than three recent testimonials, to be sent to the undersigned not later than Monday, the 10th February, 1930.
By Order,
HAROLD JEVONS, Clerk of the County Council.
Shire Hall, Durham, January, 1930.

CLIFTON COLLEGE.
APPLICATIONS are invited for the POST of SECRETARY to the COLLEGE at a salary of £550, rising to £700. His duties will begin at the end of June.—Particulars and forms of application can be obtained from the Secretary, Clifton College, Bristol.

DISTRICT MEDICAL OFFICER FOR INDIAN STATE RAILWAYS.
The Secretary of State for India proposes shortly to make one APPOINTMENT as DISTRICT MEDICAL OFFICER on the Indian State Railways. Candidates must be European British subjects of non-Asiatic domicile and must be under 32 years of age. They must possess a qualification registered in Great Britain and Northern Ireland under the Medical Acts in force at the time of appointment. Commencing pay Rs.650 per mensem including overseas pay. The officer selected will in addition be permitted to take private practice subject to the sanction of competent authority. Leave, Provident Fund, Gratuity, and Passages in accordance with the rules generally applicable to officers of Indian State Railways.
Copies of the Regulations and Forms of Application can be obtained from the Secretary, Services and General Department, India Office, S.W.1, to whom applications should be addressed not later than 8th February, 1930.
India Office, 16th January, 1930.

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL.
COUNTY ACCOUNTANT'S DEPARTMENT.
CHIEF AUDIT CLERK.
The County Council invite APPLICATIONS for the APPOINTMENT of CHIEF INTERNAL AUDIT CLERK at a salary of £425 per annum increasing by annual increments of £25 to £500.
Candidates must have had experience in auditing and in the finance department of a County or Borough Council. Preference will be given to those possessing the final certificate of the Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants, the Institute of Chartered Accountants, or the Society of Incorporated Accountants and Auditors.
The appointment will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922, and the candidate appointed will be required to pass a medical examination.
Applications, stating age, experience and qualifications, accompanied by copies of not more than three recent testimonials, should be sent to the County Accountant, Shire Hall, Durham, not later than Wednesday, 12th February, 1930.
HARRY BOTTOMLEY, County Accountant.
Shire Hall, Durham, 22nd January, 1930.

FEDERATED MALAY STATES.
A VACANCY exists for an ASSISTANT AGRICULTURAL INSTRUCTOR in the Department of Agriculture. Salary in dollars equivalent to £560 per annum, rising by annual increments of £35 to £1,120 per annum, with temporary allowance of 10 per cent. of salary to unmarried officer or 20 per cent. to married officer. Free passages. Post pensionable, subject to probationary period of three years, and salary then subject to 4 per cent. deduction for widows' and orphans' pensions scheme. Candidates should preferably be single in first instance and not over 30 years of age, but applications will be considered from somewhat older candidates if with tropical experience. Qualifications: Degree or Diploma in Agriculture or Agricultural Science, with at least two years' post-graduate experience of teaching agricultural subjects. Duties primarily organization and conduct of teaching at projected Malayan School of Agriculture.—Further particulars and forms of application may be obtained on application, in writing, to the Private Secretary (Appointments), Colonial Office, 2, Richmond-terrace, Whitehall, S.W.1. Completed applications must reach the Private Secretary by the 1st of March.

METROPOLITAN BOROUGH of SOUTHWARK.
APPOINTMENT of BOROUGH TREASURER.
The Council invite APPLICATIONS for the APPOINTMENT of BOROUGH TREASURER at a commencing salary of £850 per annum, rising by annual increments of £50 to a maximum salary of £1,200 per annum.
Applicants, who must be not under 30 nor more than 45 years of age, must be (by examination) Chartered Accountants, or Associate Members of the Society of Accountants and Auditors, or Members of the Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants. It is essential that applicants should have had previous municipal experience.
The position will be subject to the provisions of the Shoreditch and other Metropolitan Borough Councils' (Superannuation) Act, 1922, and the gentleman selected for the appointment will be required to pass the medical examination required by the Council.
Applications, on the prescribed forms which may be obtained on sending a stamped addressed foolscap envelope, should be sent to me accompanied by copies of three recent testimonials, and endorsed "Borough Treasurer" to reach me not later than noon on Friday, February 7th, 1930.
Prints of applications should not be sent in the first instance, and canvassing members of the Council either directly or indirectly, will disqualify.
D. T. GRIFFITHS, Town Clerk.
Southwark Town Hall, Walworth-road, S.E.17, 21st January, 1930.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.
VACANCY for TENOR LAY CLERK. Salary £125.—Applications on forms to be obtained from The Chapter Clerk, The Precinct, Rochester, should be sent in by 12th February, 1930.

STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION for MENTAL WELFARE.
APPLICATIONS are invited for the POST of ASSISTANT SECRETARY vacant on 1st April, 1930. A lady is needed interested in all branches of mental welfare for visiting mental defectives in the county of Staffordshire. Age over 25. Considerable previous experience of social work is required and a knowledge of the Mental Deficiency Act. It is essential for the applicant to have clerical qualifications and to drive a motor-car. Commencing salary £180 per annum.—Applications, stating age, full particulars of education, qualifications and experience, accompanied by copies of not more than three testimonials, should be sent to the Secretary, 15a, Eastgate-street, Stafford, before 14th February, 1930.

TERRITORIAL ARMY ASSOCIATION.
APPLICATIONS are invited for the SECRETARYSHIP of the Territorial Army Associations of Roxburgh, Berwick and Selkirk.—Apply to the Secretary, 7, Tower Knowe, Hawick, from whom particulars can be obtained.

APPOINTMENTS & SITUATIONS VACANT

3 lines 4s. 6d. (minimum); Employment Agencies and Schools, 4 lines 10s. (minimum)

APPLICANTS for situations are advised not to send original testimonials when replying to advertisements. Copies will answer the purpose quite as well, and in the event of being lost or mislaid no inconvenience will ensue.

A Smart Salesman and Exhibition Demonstrator required; new line in private telephones; salary and commission.—Write, giving age and experience, Burovox, Ltd., Craven House, Kingsway, W.C.2.

A Permanent Job with prospects of rapid promotion is offered by Electrolux, Ltd. The selected man will be required to sell water softeners, but experience is not essential, as thorough training will be given.—For further particulars ring up the nearest of the following numbers: Victoria 1549, Welbeck 9282, Riverside 2106, Ravensbourne 4001, Colchester 644, Fairfield 5740.

ASSISTANT required in export department of large firm manufacturing proprietary chemical products; age 25 to 30; experience of general export methods, particularly European, and knowledge of French, German or Spanish essential.—Reply, stating salary, to A.R.246, care of Deacon's, Fenchurch-avenue, E.C.3.

A Worker.—Hoover, Ltd., require one Man for sales work in Maidstone, Tunbridge Wells, and Tonbridge, and the coast towns of Kent and Sussex; experience not necessary; character, appearance, and energy are the chief qualifications; guaranteed weekly remuneration, liberal commission, plus bonus and training allowance; applicants must reside or be prepared to reside in the towns mentioned.—Write for interview, giving brief particulars of past work to Hoover, Ltd., 123, Western-road, Hove.

A Vacancy will shortly occur in the outside staff in England of an important old-established company with a world-wide trade. Applications are invited from gentlemen having a past experience of selling to the trade. Only those who are able to show excellent records for hard work, efficiency, and good selling need apply. A knowledge of the horticultural market and of dogs would be an advantage. The applicant that is chosen will be required to serve a probationary period of six months on salary, on the successful conclusion of which he would be given additional commission. All reasonable travelling expenses are allowed. Application should be made, in the first instance in writing, giving details of age, education, previous experience, qualifications, and salary required, to Box G.167, The Times, E.C.4.

A Vacancy occurs owing to unforeseen circumstances for the post of chief assistant General Manager in an old-established firm, near Birmingham, manufacturing high-class engineering products for a specialised but world-wide market. Applicants should not be over 35 years of age and should have had a public school education and a wide experience in productive engineering, preferably both mechanical and electrical. A knowledge of physics is desirable. The post affords every prospect of advancement to a first-class man and a salary and bonus commensurate with its importance and the qualifications of the successful applicant will be offered.—Write Box M.1151, The Times, E.C.4.

CAPABLE energetic man with accountancy or secretarial qualifications required as Belfast Manager of large financial institution; age about 30; good prospects.—Write Box M.1142, The Times, E.C.4.

CHEMIST, fully qualified, wanted to manage large coating factory, employing 200 workers, and making all qualities of coated paper. Wide experience of the trade essential. Applicants must state age, and have first-class education and ability to manage. Commencing salary £500 per annum; references required.—Write Box G.139, The Times, E.C.4.

COMMISSION Agent for London wanted, for Scots Bacon Factory Products; must have established connexion among wholesalers and multiple retailers.—Write with particulars to Box F.990, The Times, E.C.4.

EXPERIENCED Lady Assistant wanted by Analyst.—Write, stating full particulars and salary required, Box F.22, The Times, E.C.4.

EXPERIENCED, energetic and intelligent shorthand-Typist for solicitor's office.—Write full particulars, Box 08552, The Times, 72, Regent-street, W.1.

FRENCH and German Shorthand Correspondents required; must be capable write fluently; knowledge Spanish advantage; good references essential.—Write Z.C.902, care of Deacon's, Fenchurch-avenue, E.C.3.

GENTLEMAN of good address wanted to call on the professional classes; congenial work, and full instruction given; would suit retired business man.—Write Box V.1818, The Times, E.C.4.

LADY required, whole or part time, to assist in organization of Charitable Guild; previous experience not vital, but unimpeachable references necessary.—Write Box M.1129, The Times, E.C.4.

IRONFOUNDERS' Salesman required.—Young gentleman conversant with mechanical engineering specifications, to spend necessary time in Midland foundry to qualify as Salesman of light castings. Ample prospects embracing directorship ultimately. Good presence and education (Public School preferred).—Send what particulars you think desirable to W. Elles-Hill and Co., C.A., 2, Bedford-square, W.C.1.

MANAGER or Manageress required, leather trunk, bag, and fancy goods shop, West End; must be energetic and experienced.—Write, in strict confidence, stating age, experience, salary desired, "Leather," Box 130, Sells, Fleet-street, E.C.4.

OLD-ESTABLISHED West-End Firm of Antique Dealers requires experienced Salesman with clientèle.—Write Box V.1814, The Times, E.C.4.

POSITION for Life.—General drapers and departmental stores require first-class R.C. man to organize sales to Convents, Schools, &c.; all-round general education, good appearance, and special trade knowledge essential; preference given to those who have experience of trading with convents and schools.—Write, stating full details, age, salary required, to Box M.1093, The Times, E.C.4.

APPOINTMENTS & SITUATIONS VACANT (continued)

PROGRESSIVE firm has vacancy for young man, 24 to 28, as assistant to Production Manager. Should be interested in engineering and boats. Must be prepared to work for results, as very small salary will be offered for first year. Job should be considered from its possibilities.—Write Box Y.960, The Times, E.C.4.

REQUIRED, Secretary and Chief Accountant to public company, preferably qualified accountant with previous experience secretarial work and office organization.—Write, giving full particulars and salary required, to Box V.1822, The Times, E.C.4.

REQUIRED, for London, Salesmen for leading Automatic Electrical Refrigeration company; only applications required from men who are willing to work hard, have sales record and refrigeration or kindred technical knowledge; real opportunity for ambitious men.—Apply in writing, giving fullest particulars, to Box V.1819, The Times, E.C.4.

REQUIRED for welfare department in large factory, capable Lady with first-aid knowledge, shorthand and typewriting essential.—Applicants write, stating experience, age, and salary required, to Box 0427, The Times, 72, Regent-street, W.1.

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COOK-GENERAL wanted; two in family; house-parlourmaid kept; close village and bus routes; good wages; good references essential.—Apply Mrs. H. Arnold, Greenways, Godstone, Surrey.

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WANTED, Cook-General; small house, easy place; two in family; no late dinners; house-parlourmaid kept; references essential; station, shops, five minutes; London 35.—Apply Mrs. Harrison, Kilworth, Burkes-road, Beaconsfield, Bucks.

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PARLOURMAID, well-trained, wanted for country place.—Mrs. Norton, Belmore House, Upham, Hants.

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PARLOURMAID, flat; two in family; four servants; £60; well recommended. Another, house; three in family; four servants; separate bed room; £52. Many other excellent vacancies; no fees.—Jessie Fraser (Agent), 11a, Church-street, Kensington. Western 6636 (4 lines). Buses stop at door.

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HOUSE-PARLOURMAID required, new non-basement house; three maids kept; own bed room, &c.; personal reference essential.—Apply 14, Greenaway-gardens, Hampstead, N.W.3, near Frognal-lane.

HOUSE-PARLOURMAID for two ladies; cook-general kept; experienced; good references; good wages and outings.—Miss Morfey, Colet Lodge, Ashtead, Epsom.

HOUSE-PARLOURMAID for Ealing next week or near date; one used to old people much appreciated.—Write Box Y.895, The Times, E.C.4.

TEMPORARY House-Parlourmaid (experienced), flat, two adults; morning housemaid kept.—Apply 2 till 7, Mrs. Davis, 4, Harley House, near Baker-street Station.

WANTED, February 18th, £60, experienced House-Parlourmaid; four in family; six maids kept; personal interview and reference essential; Hampstead district.—Write Box 01238, The Times, 72, Regent-street, W.1.

HOUSE-PARLOURMAID, new house; three in family; cook-general kept; separate bed room; £52. Also another for West End maisonnette; two in family; two servants; separate bed room; £48; no fees.—Jessie Fraser (Agent), 11a, Church-street, Kensington. Western 6636 (4 lines). Buses stop at door.

HOUSE, KITCHEN AND SCULLERY MAIDS

HOUSEMAID wanted, second of two; five maids kept; every modern convenience; wages £40.—Write, stating age, particulars of experience and reason for leaving last situation, Mrs. Lewis, Beechwood, Hampstead-lane, N.6.

HOUSEMAID wanted, experienced, single-handed, not under 30; three maids; own bed room; references essential.—Mrs. Armitage, Sunner Lodge, Camberley.

HOUSEMAID, upper of two required, experienced; four in family; good wages; parlourmaid kept; motor-omnibus passes; Putney nearest station.—Fairlawn, 89, Parkside, Wimbledon Common, S.W.19.

HOUSEMAID, single-handed, with some help, wanted; must be thoroughly experienced; two in family; four servants; age 27-38; small house; own bed room; modern conveniences; personal reference necessary.—Call before 12 or after 5 (other time by appointment), 23, Chester-street, Grosvenor-place, S.W.1.

HOUSEMAID required; four in family; three maids kept; separate bed room; usual outings; must be good needlewoman; state wages and experience.—Write Mrs. Holland, 43, Gwendolen-avenue, Putney-hill.

HOUSEMAID for non-basement house with modern appliances; cook and house-parlourmaid kept.—G. Tyser, 28, Harley-road, Avenue-road, N.W.3.

HOUSEMAID wanted, head of two.—Apply to-day after 6 and to-morrow after 4, or any evening, Mrs. C., 15, Sussex-place, Regent's Park.

HOUSEMAID; help given; three in family, four maids kept; electric fires; personal reference.—Mrs. Tillard, Maltmas Green, Denham, Bucks.

EXPERIENCED Housemaid, daily; Knightsbridge flat; three maids; charge valuable furniture; interview Thursday or Friday.—Write Box 05018, The Times, 72, Regent-street, W.1.

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SINGLE-HANDED Housemaid; small modern house; two in family; three maids; personal reference desired.—6, Albert-place, Victoria-road, Kensington.

TWO Housemaids wanted for new house; young; must have excellent references. Also Useful Maid.—Write Rigg, 89, Redington-road, Hampstead Heath.

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BETWEEN-MAID; family two; two extra holidays; four maids kept; previous experience preferred; personal reference essential.—Apply Mrs. Tapscott, 24, Harrington-gardens, South Kensington.

GENERAL, not under 25; village 20 miles London.—Write Box 691, Leathwait and Simmons, 34, Throgmorton-street, E.C.2.

EXPERIENCED Maid required; about 30-40; single; all duties; help for coal, windows, &c.; two in family; village near Dartford; buses; high salary for capable maid with good reference.—Mrs. Simes, The Grange, Horton Kirby, Kent.

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SUMMARY OF CASES

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council—the Lord Chancellor, Lord Blanesburgh, Lord Hanworth, Lord Thankerton, and Lord Russell of Killowen—continued the hearing of an appeal by The Performing Right Society, Limited, from a decision of the Supreme Court of the Irish Free State reversing the decision of Mr. Justice Johnston, who held that the present appellants were entitled to an injunction to restrain the Bray, Wicklow, Urban District Council from performing in public the musical works *Venus on Earth* and *Lilac Time*. The question turned on whether the Copyright Act, 1911, was in force in the Irish Free State at the material date. (THE PERFORMING RIGHT SOCIETY, LIMITED v. BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.)

The special jury in Mr. Justice Horridge's Court returned a verdict in favour of Captain Willans, the second defendant in the slander action brought by the Marquise de Andia Yrarrazaval against Lord Redesdale and him in respect of words reflecting on her character said to have been uttered by Captain Willans in the presence of Lord Redesdale in an interview between the defendants and Sir Alfred Fripp. His Lordship had previously held that there was no evidence of slander by Lord Redesdale to go to the jury, and had dismissed him from the action. The defendants denied that the words were spoken. (DE ANDIA YRARRAZAVAL v. REDESDALE AND ANOTHER.)

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

KING'S BENCH DIVISION

A MARQUISE'S SLANDER ACTION AGAINST LORD REDESDALE

DE ANDIA YRARRAZAVAL v. REDESDALE AND ANOTHER

(*Before* MR. JUSTICE HORRIDGE *and a Special Jury*)

His LORDSHIP having held that there was no evidence of slander by Lord Redesdale, for whom he entered judgment, the case proceeded against Captain Willans, the second defendant, and the jury, without leaving the box, returned a verdict for him in this slander action which was brought by Ena Priscilla, Marquise de Andia Yrarrazaval, the wife of the Marquis de Andia Yrarrazaval, of Stanmore-court, St. James's-street, S.W., against Lord Redesdale, of Swinbrook, Burford, Oxfordshire, and Captain G. R. Willans, of 2, High Park-gardens, Kew.

The Marquis de Andia Yrarrazaval, husband of the plaintiff, was the owner of some patents relating to wireless apparatus and loud-speakers, in connexion with which two companies were formed, in one of which Lord Redesdale and Captain Willans were interested. It was alleged by the plaintiff that at an interview which the defendants had with Sir Alfred Fripp, on June 11, 1928, at Sir Alfred's house in Portland-place, W., a slander on her was uttered by Captain Willans and that Lord Redesdale did not dissent. The words complained of were as follows:—

The Marquis is not a nobleman and has no right to the title he is using. He is not married to the lady who is passing as his wife, who is no better than she ought to be, or if they have recently married—and I know nothing at all about it—it was because her father had put money into the concern in support of the Marquis.

The defendants denied that the words were spoken.

Mr. Rayner Goddard, K.C., and Mr. H. J. Wallington appeared for the plaintiff; Mr. Norman Birkett, K.C., and Mr. St. John Field for Lord Redesdale; Mr. N. L. Macaskie and Mr. A. Capewell for Captain Willans.

Lord Redesdale, in further cross-examination by Mr. GODDARD, said that his visit to the Home Office about the Marquis was after the interview with Sir Alfred Fripp, but he had considerable doubt whether he went to Bow-street before or after the interview.

THE VISIT TO BOW-STREET

Mr. GODDARD.—What did you go to Bow-street for?—To see whether the Marquis was still on Chilean papers. I was contending that the Marquis was not a Spaniard and I wanted to find out.

Is there any doubt that the real reason why you went was that you wanted to make trouble with the police?—No, never.

What difference would it make to you whether the Marquis was a Chilean or a Spaniard?—It had a considerable bearing on the whole position.

What position?—Whether he was pretending or not.

You thought that he was an impostor?—Undoubtedly.

And you went to Bow-street and told the police that he was an impostor?—No, I did not tell them anything of the sort.

Lord Redesdale said that he knew Admiral Mark Kerr, who was present at a shareholders' meeting of Art Andia, Limited, in December, 1927.

Mr. GODDARD.—Did Admiral Kerr tell you, after the meeting, that he had made inquiries of the Spanish Ambassador and had ascertained that the Marquis was entitled to the title he bore?—No; I never spoke to Admiral Kerr after the meeting at all. At the meeting Admiral Kerr produced a letter and said: "I have here a letter from the Embassy." I asked: "Is the letter from the Spanish Embassy or the Chilean Embassy?" and the Admiral replied: "It is from the Spanish Embassy." I did not ask to see the letter, and have never seen it.

Was the effect of what Admiral Kerr said to indicate that the Spanish Ambassador vouched for the Marquis being a Spaniard and entitled to his title?—No; the Spanish Ambassador was never mentioned.

When you went to see Sir Alfred Fripp, you intended to tell him of the information you had, or thought you had, about the Marquis to make him out an impostor?—No; the whole object of the meeting was to get Sir Alfred Fripp to come on to our side and use his influence to get de Andia to deal properly with the company.

Did you ask Sir Alfred to take shares in Art Andia, Limited?—No.

Did Captain Willans, from first to last, say anything at the interview of which you did not approve?—Nothing.

Throughout the interview was he speaking as much on your behalf as on his own?—We were both speaking in the interests of the company.

How did the question whether the Marquis was married come up?—When all the questions about whether he was a Marquis had been gone into Sir Alfred turned to me and said: "Do you suppose they are really man and wife?" I said: "I know they are man and wife."

Down to this time the lady's name had never been mentioned?—Never. We were just going when all this happened.

Sir Alfred Fripp, so far as you know, has no grudge against you?—I don't know why he should have.

INTERVIEW WITH THE MARQUIS'S SECRETARY

When did you first know that it was alleged that this matter about the Marquis's relations with his wife had been discussed with Sir Alfred Fripp? I should think fairly early the next morning. On June 12 the Marquis's secretary rang up and asked if he could see me. When he arrived he said: "I have brought evidence to satisfy you that the Marquis of Andia is in fact a marquis and that he is in fact married to his wife." I said to him, "I don't know what you mean by all this." He told me that the Marquis was extremely anxious that I should be satisfied on both those points, and he then produced a very old and much used copy of the "Almanac de Gotha" by which he hoped to prove the marquisate. I told him that I had seen that book almost every time I had seen the Marquis (laughter), as every interview always began with an explanation of how he was a marquis, and that that in itself would not satisfy me. He then produced a marriage certificate from some Registry in London to show that the Marquis and the Marquise were married on a certain date. I told him that that was quite unnecessary, for I knew perfectly well that they were married and the circumstances in which they were married.

Mr. GODDARD.—What did you mean by that?—The circumstances which were related yesterday in Sir Alfred Fripp's evidence.

Sir Alfred Fripp said that it was conveyed to him that the Marquis had to marry the lady because her father was willing to put up money?—No; the circumstances were perfectly normal. The father-in-law was going to give his daughter a *dot* of £10,000, and, when the time came, was not in a position to do so, but gave a guarantee of £7,000 to the bank.

Lord Redesdale said that his conversation with the Marquis's secretary brought it to his mind that it had been alleged that it was stated at the interview with Sir Alfred Fripp that the Marquis had lived with his wife before marriage.

Mr. GODDARD.—Did you believe that the Marquis had lived with the lady before she was married?—Certainly not.

Can you understand how it could have been suggested that the Marquis had been living with the lady?—Nothing was said at the meeting to suggest it.

Lord Redesdale added that Captain Willans had been the Marquis's secretary.

Mr. GODDARD.—Captain Willans is a consultant engineer and has never been the Marquis's secretary. Why do you say that he was?

Lord Redesdale.—I don't know whether "secretary" is the right word, but he was there quite a lot and dealt with his papers.

Your object, you say, was to get Sir Alfred Fripp on your side. Did you think that a way of getting him on your side was to point out that the Marquis was an unsatisfactory sort of person?—Yes.

Were you determined at that interview to tell Sir Alfred everything to the discredit of the Marquis that you knew?—Not at all.

To blacken the Marquis's character for that purpose?—No.

In re-examination by Mr. ST. JOHN FIELD, Lord Redesdale said that it would never at any time have been of any advantage to him to make the Marquis bankrupt. It was nearly a year after judgment in the King's Bench Division before the bankruptcy proceedings resulted in the final payment of the cheque which he wanted the Marquis to pay before he left the country. He (Lord Redesdale) went to the Home Office because he could not get anything out of Bow-street.

CAPTAIN WILLANS'S EVIDENCE

Captain Gilbert Rolland Willans, the second defendant, examined by Mr. MACASKIE, said that he was an engineer. He first met the Marquis in December, 1926. The Marquis retained him from that time until July, 1927, to advise him on all matters relating to his loud-speaker business. The Marquis told him that he had got into bad hands and had lost control of Andia, Limited. He asked for the witness's assistance in getting back the control of the company. He (Captain Willans) agreed to help him and became chairman of Andia, Limited.

In November, 1927, he became a director of Art Andia, Limited. There was in that month a High Court action by the Marquis against the directors of Art Andia, Limited, and a cross action by the company against the Marquis. For some time before June, 1928, when he and Lord Redesdale had the interview with Sir Alfred Fripp, the Marquis had been attending very few meetings of that company.

The witness explained how he arranged the interview with Sir Alfred Fripp. So far as his recollection went, Lord Redesdale's account of what was said about the Marquis at the interview was substantially correct. He did not, however, remember Lord Redesdale saying: "He is no more a marquis than I am." He thought that Lord Redesdale said that he did not see how he could be a marquis, and gave his reasons.

Captain Willans said that he took no part in the conversation relating to the Marquis's title. His recollection was that the reference to the marriage was made when he and Lord Redesdale were leaving, when Sir Alfred said: "Look here, I can't let you people go without making you Frothblowers." (Laughter.) Lord Redesdale and he then said that they were members of that body already. Sir Alfred Fripp thereupon said: "It is awfully good of you to come down here. By the way, are these two people really married," or "man and wife?"—he (the witness) forgot which.

The witness said that he was perfectly certain that he did not first mention the marriage. He thought that Lord Redesdale then said: "I know they are married," and made some remark about knowing all the circumstances of the marriage. He (Captain Willans) said: "They most certainly are married," and added that he had heard from the Marquis himself that his father-in-law had promised him £10,000 on the occasion of the marriage, but had cut it down to a £7,000 guarantee at the bank.

Mr. MACASKIE.—Was anything further said about the marriage?—Nothing at all.

Is it true that you told Sir Alfred Fripp that the Marquis was a libertine?—Certainly not.

Is it true that you explained that you called him a libertine because he had been living with this lady before he had married her, "if, indeed, he ever did marry her"?—I certainly said nothing of the kind.

Did you use any words which could be interpreted as meaning that?—I cannot understand how it is possible.

Mr. GODDARD (cross-examining).—What did you know about Sir Alfred Fripp's relations with the Marquis when you made the appointment?—From the Marquis's interview with me at the office and the production of a letter I understood that he had some association with him.

To whom was the letter addressed?—To the Marquis, by a firm of solicitors.

His LORDSHIP.—Exactly what did you know?—I knew that the Marquis had said that Sir Alfred Fripp was interested with him in business and that he said that he had a letter confirming this.

"NEVER BEEN ON ILL TERMS"

Mr. GODDARD.—You must have been on very good terms with the Marquis at that time?—I have never been on ill terms with him.

When Lord Redesdale finished at the interview in June, 1928, did you take up the tale?—Yes.

Was a great deal more time taken up with the personal affairs of the Marquis than the affairs of the company?—I really don't know.

For 20 minutes were you and Lord Redesdale throwing mud at the Marquis?—No.

You parted from Sir Alfred Fripp on excellent terms?—Very excellent terms. I had never been so well received by anybody.

That concluded the evidence.

Mr. GODDARD submitted that there was evidence of slander to go to the jury. Lord Redesdale had said that he approved of everything that Captain Willans said at the interview. If Captain Willans, on the invitation by Lord Redesdale to tell what he knew about the Marquis, uttered a slander in answer to Lord Redesdale, who stood by and did not dissent, the inference was that Captain Willans said what Lord Redesdale expected him to say, and Lord Redesdale was liable. He submitted that it was evidence on which the jury could find that Captain Willans was the agent of Lord Redesdale to tell the story.

His LORDSHIP ruled that there was no evidence of slander by Lord Redesdale, and entered judgment for him, with costs.

Mr. MACASKIE then addressed the jury on behalf of Captain Willans.

Mr. GODDARD having also addressed the jury on behalf of the plaintiff, his LORDSHIP summed up.

The jury, without leaving the box, found in favour of Captain Willans, for whom judgment was accordingly entered, with costs.

Solicitors.—Messrs. Woolfe and Woolfe; Messrs. Hasties; Mr. Alexander Pollock.

CHANCERY DIVISION

DIRECTORSHIP DISPUTE: MOTION ADJOURNED TILL TRIAL

JONES AND OTHERS v. HARMAN AND OTHERS

(*Before* MR. JUSTICE BENNETT)

This was an application that a motion in an action might be adjourned until the trial of the action.

Mr. Wilfrid Greene, K.C., and Mr. H. P. Glover appeared for the applicant; Mr. Lionel Cohen, K.C., and Mr. H. Wynn Parry for the respondents.

Mr. GREENE said that the application to the Court on the motion was that the defendants might be restrained from excluding one of the plaintiffs from a board of directors. The defendant directors having, however, resigned, there was now no point in proceeding with the motion. He therefore asked that the motion might stand until the trial of the action.

Mr. COHEN said that three only of the defendant directors had resigned. All the defendant directors, however, assented to the course proposed.

His LORDSHIP directed that the motion should stand until the trial of the action.

Solicitors.—Messrs. Bartlett and Gluckstein; Messrs. Lewis and Lewis.

BAR COUNCIL ELECTION

The following candidates have been nominated to fill the 24 vacancies upon the Bar Council. The election will take place in the week ending February 15:—

Mr. G. Thorn Drury, K.C., Mr. R. E. L. Vaughan Williams, K.C., Mr. J. M. Gover, K.C., Mr. J. F. W. Galbraith, K.C., M.P., Sir Walter Greaves-Lord, K.C., M.P., Mr. F. K. Archer, K.C., Mr. R. C. Bosanquet, K.C., Mr. H. H. Joy, K.C., Mr. Charles Doughty, K.C., Mr. W. P. Spens, K.C., Mr. C. T. Lowenthal, K.C., Mr. Noel B. Goldie, K.C., Mr. E. Percival Clarke, Mr. Frederick Hinde, Mr. C. Stafford Crossman, Mr. J. H. Stamp, Mr. W. D. Mathias, Mr. W. C. Cleveland-Stevens, Mr. George F. Kingham, Mr. Albert Crew, Mr. J. H. Thorpe, Mr. A. W. Cockburn, Mr. Arthur Morley, Mr. F. J. Tucker, Mr. R. F. Burnand, Mr. Geoffrey Hutchinson, Mr. T. M. O'Callaghan, Mr. T. R. Fitzwalter Butler, Mr. C. H. R. Romer, Mr. H. H. Maddocks, and Mr. Gerald A. Thesiger.

JUDICIAL COMMITTEE OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL

COPYRIGHT IN THE IRISH FREE STATE

THE PERFORMING RIGHT SOCIETY, LIMITED v. BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

(*Present—The* LORD CHANCELLOR, LORD BLANESBURGH, LORD HANWORTH, LORD THANKERTON, *and* LORD RUSSELL *of* KILLOWEN.)

Their LORDSHIPS continued the hearing of this appeal from the order of the Supreme Court of the Irish Free State reversing the decision of Mr. Justice Johnston, who had held that the Copyright Act, 1911, was in force in the Irish Free State on August 11, 1926, and that the present appellants, the Performing Right Society, Limited, of George-street, Hanover-square, W., were, therefore, entitled to an injunction restraining the respondents, the Bray Urban District Council, Wicklow, Ireland, from infringing the appellants' copyright by performing in public the musical works *Venus on Earth* and *Lilac Time*.

The works in question were performed in a public bandstand at Bray, Wicklow, on August 11, 1926. The question was whether the Copyright Act, 1911, was in operation in the Irish Free State at the material date, or whether that Act had ceased to be applicable by reason of the treaty between Great Britain and the Irish Free State which was given the force of law on March 31, 1922.

Mr. Stuart Bevan, K.C., and the Hon. S. C. Henn Collins appeared for the appellants; Mr. T. S. F. Battersby, K.C., Mr. A. A. Dickie, K.C., and Mr. C. S. Campbell for the respondents.

Mr. BEVAN, continuing his argument, reiterated his submission that section 4 of the Irish Free State Copyright (Preservation) Act, 1929, was *ultra vires* so far as it had any retrospective effect.

Section 4 stated:—

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, no remedy or relief, whether by way of damages, injunction, costs, expenses, or otherwise, shall be recoverable or granted in respect or by reason of an infringement in Saorstát Eireann before the passing of this Act of a copyright by this Act declared to subsist or deemed to have subsisted in Saorstát Eireann.

Mr. BATTERSBY thereupon objected to section 4 of that Act being discussed before the Privy Council on the ground that it was not mentioned in the printed record.

THE CASE FOR THE RESPONDENTS

Mr. BATTERSBY, in opening the case for the respondents, said that his argument consisted of three points. First, that on the proceedings and on the evidence which was produced at the trial no infringement had been committed by the respondents under the Copyright Act, 1911, assuming that that Act was in existence. Secondly, the Act of 1911 was never formally adopted by the Irish Free State as a self-governing Dominion, and, therefore, it was excluded. Even if he were wrong on that contention and the treaty and the Acts dealing with the treaty, the Act of 1911 was never carried over. Thirdly, the Act of 1927 was properly construed by the Supreme Court, but he contended that that Court were not bound to go into the Act of 1927 at all, and should have confined themselves to the law as existing at the time of the issue of the writ.

There was no evidence of any technical permission given to the band by the respondents to play those pieces so as to make the respondents liable, said Mr. Battersby.

LORD HANWORTH.—There are two letters, one from the band to the Bray Urban District Council and another from the council to the band.

Mr. BATTERSBY read the letter from the band, which was as follows:—

Re your letter of the 18th inst., I am instructed by my committee to inform you that they, on behalf of our band, have pleasure in informing you that we, the band, are members of the Performing Right Society, Limited; consequently we can perform in public any or all music in or out of print without fear of infringing of copyright. . . Trusting you understand that your amusement committee will not be liable for any "item" we play as our licence covers our performance anywhere.

Counsel then read the licence held by the band, and stressed the importance of the phrase included therein that:—

Bandmaster ——, to perform publicly any and every musical work for the time being in the repertoire of the society . . . at premises having no permanent responsible management.

LORD THANKERTON.—The two pieces in question came within that description?—Yes.

Mr. BATTERSBY submitted that the Court was entitled to look at that licence. The respondents complained that, instead of going against the band, which had paid them £10 10s., the Performing Right Society chose to proceed against the Bray Urban District Council.

Counsel then cited the following cases dealing with the character of the permission to play, which would be necessary to make the respondents liable for the acts of the band, and he submitted that such technical permission did not exist in the present case:—Performing Right Society, Limited v. Ciryl Theatrical Syndicate (39 *The Times* L.R., 460; [1924] 1 K.B., 1); Performing Right Society, Limited v. Mitchell and Booker (Palais de Danse), Limited (40 *The Times* L.R., 308; [1924] 1 K.B., 762); Falcon v. Famous Players Film Company and Others (42 *The Times* L.R., 666; [1926] 2 K.B., 474).

The point of the council's liability for the acts of the band was mentioned before the trial Judge, said Mr. Battersby, but the Judge was attracted by the constitutional point.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL POINT

Counsel then dealt with the construction of section 25 of the Copyright Act, 1911, and said that if the words "self-governing Dominion" in that section did not now include the Irish Free State, then the Irish Free State had not got the constitutional status of the other self-governing Dominions mentioned in the treaty.

Counsel referred to Article 73 of the Constitution, and said that if the laws were not carried over until April 1, 1922, there was no existing law before that.

LORD RUSSELL.—At what exact point of time did the Copyright Act, 1911, cease to apply to the Irish Free State?—On December 6, 1921, the date of the treaty, because at that moment the Irish Free State became a self-governing Dominion. The only Legislature which could make laws from that date was the Irish Legislature.

LORD RUSSELL.—Then there must have been a juristic vacuum between the signing of the treaty and the functioning of the Irish Free State?—Yes.

LORD HANWORTH.—I had some knowledge of things at that time, and I have found here some provisional orders that were passed, so that the real answer would appear to be that there was provision made in that interval in the first three months of 1922. Particular provision was made to carry on the law, and there was no lapse of law in the time up to the date the treaty was made effective by statute.

Mr. BATTERSBY then referred to the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Act, 1927, and submitted that the Court was not entitled to look at that Act inasmuch as it was passed after the proceedings were begun. On that point he referred to Johnston v. Orr Ewing (7 A.C., 228); and Ponnamma v. Arumogam (21 *The Times* L.R., 524; [1905] A.C., 383). If, however, it was desired to hear him on that Act he would refer to sections 154 and 174. The intention was to exclude British citizens from all copyright rights and to reserve them for Irish subjects.

The hearing was adjourned until Thursday morning.

Solicitors.—Messrs. Syrett and Sons; Messrs. Burchells.

MR. A. T. TENIERS'S AFFAIRS

Mr. REGISTRAR MELLOR presided at a sitting of the Bankruptcy Court yesterday for the public examination of Alfred Thomas Teniers, described as a merchant, of 3 and 4, Lothbury, E.C. The debtor petitioned the Court on October 10 last and was adjudged bankrupt the same day. He has lodged gross liabilities £259,764, of which £140,613 is expected to rank, against net assets valued at £31,802.

Questioned by Mr. FERRARS VYVYAN, Official Receiver, the debtor stated that throughout a long business career he had been associated with financial matters, and 30 years ago opened an office in Paris, where he carried on business as a financial agent, as well as in London. In 1912 he closed the office in Paris and thereafter conducted his business from London. In August, 1912, he registered the Century Trust, Limited, which carried on a similar class of business and was very successful. He had also been interested in other companies formed to acquire concessions granted in respect of four forests of timber in Poland; to obtain options on and deal in property in the City of London; to acquire municipal and other land in Brussels; and for the purchase of an hotel building in Amsterdam. He attributed his insolvency to his liability as guarantor for the Century Trust, Limited, and to losses in respect of business carried out in its name.

On the application of the OFFICIAL RECEIVER, supported by Mr. R. D. Basden (the trustee) and Mr. Tindale Davis, on behalf of creditors, the sitting was adjourned until March 25 for the debtor to furnish additional accounts.

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

PROBATE, DIVORCE, AND ADMIRALTY DIVISION

A DECLARATION OF LEGITIMACY

KELLETT, E. v. ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND OTHERS

(*Before* MR. JUSTICE HILL)

This petition for a declaration of legitimacy under the Legitimacy Act, 1926, was brought by Mrs. Emmeline Kellett, of Leytonstone, a widow, aged 81 years.

Mr. G. Tyndale appeared for the petitioner; Mr. H. Rolfe and Mr. Wavell-Paxton for parties cited; and Sir Gervais Rentoul for the Attorney-General.

Mr. TYNDALE said that the declaration was sought that the petitioner's title to a share of an estate of about £8,000 left by a nephew named Edward John Sayers who died intestate, a bachelor, and without parents living, should be established. That the petitioner's parents were not married when she was born on June 8, 1848, was not known till the administrator of the nephew's estate discovered it in the task of distribution. Her father, Mr. William Rob Roy McGregor, was born at Tibbermuir, Hunting Tower, Perthshire, in April, 1820. He enlisted in the Scots Fusilier Guards in 1839 and except for service abroad in the Crimean War was at various stations in England until 1860. On his discharge from the Army in that year he lived at Dorking, Surrey, where he died in 1897.

Meanwhile, on April 2, 1849, he had been married at St. Peter's Church, Southwark, to Emma Streeter, some months after the birth of their child, the present petitioner.

If the Court were not satisfied that the petitioner's father was not domiciled in England at the time of his marriage and thought that he still retained his Scottish domicile of origin, the declaration sought could still be made under Section 8 (1) of the Legitimacy Act, 1926, which provided:—

Where the parents of an illegitimate person marry or have married one another, whether before or after the commencement of this Act, and the father of the illegitimate person was or is, at the time of the marriage, domiciled in a country, other than England or Wales, by the law of which the illegitimate person became legitimated by virtue of such subsequent marriage, that person, if living, shall in England and Wales be recognized as having been so legitimated from the commencement of this Act or from the date of the marriage, whichever last happens, notwithstanding that his father was not at the time of the birth of such person domiciled in a country in which legitimation by subsequent marriage was permitted by law.

Lieutenant George Kinmont, Scots Guards, produced the regimental records showing the service of Colour-Sergeant McGregor, the petitioner's father.

After evidence had been given by the petitioner and other witnesses, MR. JUSTICE HILL granted the declaration of legitimation prayed for. He held that the petitioner's father retained his Scottish domicile until his discharge from the Army, after which he probably acquired an English domicile.

Solicitors.—Messrs. C. R. Randall and Son; Mr. John S. Oldfield; the Treasury Solicitor.

LAW NOTICES, JAN. 29

Court of Appeal

COURT II. (SCRUTTON, GREER, and ROMER, L.JJ.).—At 10.30:—Appeal.—From the King's Bench Division (Final and New Trial List).—Pyman, Bell and Co., Ltd. v. Ohlson Steamship Co. (pt. hd.) (11). (SCRUTTON, GREER, and SLESSER, L.JJ.)—Appeal.—From the King's Bench Division (Final and New Trial List)—Re Arbitration Act, 1889 (the Standard Contracting Co., Ltd. v. the Gellygaer Urban District Council) (pt. hd.) (5).

Chancery Division

COURT I. (EVE, J.).—At 10.30:—Witness List. Part II.—F. Reddaway and Co., Ltd. v. Hartley (pt. hd.) (11). At 3.30:—In his Lordship's private room—Re S.——, an infant.

COURT III. (CLAUSON, J.).—At 10.30:—Witness List. Part I.—Watt v. Lucania Temperance Billiard Halls (London), Ltd. (pt. hd.) (5); Re Tarleton (Squires v. Roberts) (with witnesses) (6).

COURT V. (MAUGHAM, J.)—At 10.30:—Witness List. Part I.—Simon v. Jones (pt. hd.) (4); Thorpeness, Ltd. v Davison (2).

COURT II. (LUXMOORE, J.).—At 10.30:—Adjourned Summons.—Re Great Indian Peninsula Railway Purchase Act, 1900 (Armstrong v. Mead) (pt. hd.) (4). Procedure Summons.—Grey v Gibson. Motion (with witnesses).—Wreford Brown v. Butterworth and ors.—Sitting in Bankruptcy.—Motion—Re Bolton (1).

COURT IV. (FARWELL, J.).—At 10.30:—Witness List. Part II.—Batchelor, Bowles and Co., Ltd. v. Victoria Park Car Co., Ltd. (pt. hd.) (6).

LORD CHANCELLOR'S COURT (BENNETT, J.).—At 10.30:—For judgment.—Oxford Corporation v. Oxford Electricity Co., Ltd. Not before 11:—For hearing.—Motion (with witnesses).—Attorney-General v. Dale (pt. hd.). Adjourned Summonses.—Re North (Holmes v. Smith) (3); re Bennett (Public Trustee v. Bennett) (11); Chillagoe Railway Mines, Ltd. Trust Deed; re Appleton (Appleton v. Appleton) (12).

King's Bench Division

LORD CHIEF JUSTICE'S COURT (the LORD CHIEF JUSTICE).—At 10.30:—Non-Juries.—William Oxley and Co., Ltd. v. Brit. Steel (412); Wynn v. Watton (418).

COURT VII. (HORRIDGE, J.).—At 10.30:—Special Juries.—Terry v. Sharp and anr. (pt. hd.) (417); Shurey v. W. Speaight and Sons, Ltd. and anr. (424).

COURT IX. (ROWLATT, J.).—At 10.30:—Non-Juries.—Thorpe and anr. v. Jackson and ors. (pt. hd.) (352); Wyer v. Humphrey (373); Hammerton v. Staples and ors. (399).

COURT IV. (ACTON, J.).—At 10.30:—Common Juries.—Fallows v. L.G.O. Co., Ltd. (pt. hd.) (385); Russian Oil Products, Ltd. v. Tucker and Son (240).

COURT II. (TALBOT, J.).—Not before 11.30:—Common Juries.—Bowden v. Lisgarten and anr. (388); Standen-Brown v. Ling (391).

COURT VIII. (MACKINNON, J.).—At 10.30:—Non-Jury.—Herbert Wilcox Productions, Ltd. v. First Nat. Pictures, Ltd. (pt. hd.) (232).

COURT VI. (WRIGHT, J.).—At 10.30:—Commercial Summonses.—Attended by Counsel.—Charter Shipping Co. v. Bowring Jones and Co. Not Attended by Counsel.—Dalgety and Co. v. Stag Line, Ltd. Non-Juries.—Jackson v. Solomin (pt. hd.) (360); Greig v. Lennards (389).

COURT V. (CHARLES, J.) (Chambers Judge).—Not before 11.30:—Non-Juries.—Slade v. Sinclair and Wilcox, Ltd. (363); Foster and anr. v. Harnett and ors. (403).

COURT V. (DIVISIONAL COURT) (TALBOT and CHARLES, JJ.).—At 10.30:—Civil Paper.—Fisher v. Jennings Bros., Ltd. (pt. hd.) (11).

Jurors

Special Jurors summoned for King's Bench Court VII. must attend in that Court at 10.15.

Common Jurors summoned for King's Bench Court III. must attend in King's Bench Court II. at 10.15.

Common Jurors summoned for King's Bench Court IV. must attend in that Court at 10.15.

Probate, Divorce, and Admiralty Division

COURT II. (The PRESIDENT).—At 10.30:—Defended Causes without Juries.—Fry v. Fry and Cox (pt. hd.) (47); Pearce, C. M. v. Pearce, J. E. (45).

COURT I. (HILL, J.).—At 12.30:—Defended Causes without Juries.—Beamish, H. C. v. Beamish, L. T. (Lucas intervening) (pt. hd.) (41); Reynolds, E. v. Reynolds, W. C. (49); Clark, C. O. v. the Attorney-General and ors. (50); Gunn, B. L. v. Gunn, P. L. (51); Wright, W. E. v. Wright, M. L. (King's Proctor showing cause) (from Exeter District Registry) (52); Coleman v. Coleman and Godsell (53).

COURT III. (BATESON, J.).—At 10.30:—Defended Cause without Jury.—Moss v. Moss and Searle (pt. hd.) (34).

Official Referees

COURT I.—R.C.J., No. 756 (SIR FRANCIS NEWBOLT, K.C.).—At 10.30:—Threlford v. Brown; Helliwell and Co. v. Johnson and Son, Ltd.

COURT II.—R.C.J., No. 324 (MR. G. A. SCOTT).—At 10.30:—Laitner v. Fusco. At 10.45:—Shaw v. Stocks.

COURT III.—R.C.J., No. 693 (MR. E. W. HANSELL, K.C.).—At 10.30:—Electric Furnace Co., Ltd. v. Kelloyd Metals (pt. hd.).

Bankruptcy

Bankruptcy-buildings, Carey-street, Lincoln's Inn.

In COURT I. (REGISTRAR WARMINGTON).—At 11:—Clerke, W. C.; Freeman Moss (orse. H. Bowen); Churner, M.; Stanley, A. J. (orse. Sasovsky, A. J., orse. M. Erdman and Son); Stanley, A. J.; Coombe, H. A. B.; Cracknell, F. W. (orse. Piccadilly Motor and Coach Works); Diprose, M. M. (orse. Elbira); Barrett, A. W.; Alexander, D.; Ashton, R. V.; Anson, W. S.; Beckett, C. R.; Shifreen, G. (orse. Freen, G.).

In Chambers—Room 36 (REGISTRAR MELLOR).—At 11:—Hanson, M.; Petition (28 of 1930); Petition (1,166 of 1929); Petitions (4 and 11 of 1930); Petition (1,172 of 1929); Petition (24 of 1930); Adjd. Petition (1,131 of 1929). At 11.30:—Adjd. Petitions (1,055 and 1,075 of 1929). At 12:—Layton, E. L. (orse. Percy Ross). At 12.30:—Adjd. appln. to rescind Receiving Order (1,001 of 1929); Martin, F. G. (orse. Stedman Crowther and Co.). At 2.15:—Mitchell, R. G.

MEETING OF CREDITORS IN BANKRUPTCY (the OFFICIAL RECEIVERS).—At Bankruptcy-buildings, Carey-street.—Room 53—First Floor.—At 11:—Gross, F., first meeting. At 11.30:—Lerner, A. M., ditto. Room 83—Second Floor.—At 11:—White, A. E., first meeting. At 11.30:—Ward, E., ditto. At 12:—Stern, S., ditto.

Companies

CHANCERY DIVISION.—COMPANIES COURT (REGISTRAR STIEBEL).—In Chambers—Room 48.—At 11.15:—Ex parte Applications. At 11.30:—William Foster and Co., Ltd. At 12:—James Burton and Sons, Ltd. (Davidson and anr. v. James Burton and Sons, Ltd., and ors.); Same (Same v. Same); Sevenoaks Park Estate Co., Ltd. At 12.30:—James Willing, Ltd.; Same; Same. At 2.15:—Cubitt's Engineering Co., Ltd. (Holland and Hannen and Cubitts, Ltd. and anr. v. Cubitt's Engineering Co., Ltd., and ors.). At 3:—M. Raven, Ltd. Room 69.—At 11.30:—Armitage Brothers Huddersfield, Ltd. Room 86.—At 11:—Bianchi Motors, Ltd. (Whiting v. Bianchi Motors, Ltd.). Room 67.—At 11.30:—James Beck Cotton Spinning Co. (Beck v. James Beck Cotton Spinning Co.). At 12:—Belgravia Dairy Co., Ltd. At 2.30:—D. H. Evans and Co., Ltd. Room 88.—At 11.30:—Union and Rhodesian Trust, Ltd. At 12:—Reginald Goodwin's Successors, Ltd. At 2.30:—London Holeproof Hosiery Co., Ltd. Room 68.—At 11.30:—Colour Snapshots (1928), Ltd. At 2.30:—Cubitt's Engineering Co., Ltd. (Holland and Hannen and Cubitts, Ltd., and anr. v. Cubitt's Engineering Co., Ltd., and ors.).

MASTERS sitting.—Bonner, Jelf, Whately, Ball, Simner, Baker, and Moseley.

TAXING MASTER.—Cave.

MASTER OF THE CROWN OFFICE sitting.—Kershaw.

CHANCERY REGISTRARS.—The following will be in attendance to-day.—Hicks Beach (on Appeal Court I.); Andrews (on Eve, J.); Hicks Beach (on Maugham, J.); More (on Bennett, J.); Ritchie (on Clauson, J.); Jolly (on Luxmoore, J.); Blaker (on Farwell, J.).

Central Criminal Court

COURT I. (AVORY, J.).—At 10.30:—H. J. W. Scott, F. D. Marsden (pt. hd.).

COURT IV. (HUMPHREYS, J.).—At 10.30:—(1) W. Gridley (pt. hd.); (2) A. C. Pole.

COURT II. (The RECORDER of LONDON).—At 10.30:—D. Chee, L. Sow (pt. hd.).

COURT III. (The COMMON SERJEANT).—At 10.30:—For Sentence.—M. Gomes. For Trial.—(1) L. G. Harris (pt. hd.); (2) M. Guedes; (3) S. M. Burton.

GRAND JURY ROOM (JUDGE GREGORY).—At 10.30:—(1) F. S. Sweet (pt. hd.); (2) J. E. Spiers, G. Brown; (3) C. Hawkins; (4) J. Macdonald, R. Jackson, G. H. Miles.

MUSICAL COPYRIGHT

We are asked to state that representative bodies or institutions desirous of giving evidence before the Select Committee on Musical Copyright Bill should communicate with the Clerk to the Committee at the House of Commons.

GARAGE MURDER CHARGE

WITNESS'S EVIDENCE AGAINST PODMORE

CLOSE CROSS-EXAMINATION

William Henry Podmore, who is charged with the murder of Vivian Messiter, made another appearance before the Southampton magistrates yesterday. Messiter, the agent for an oil company, was found dead, with severe head injuries, in a garage at Grove-street, Southampton, on January 10, 1929. He had been missing since October 30, 1928.

Mr. J. G. Trapnell appeared for the prosecution and Mr. Edmond O'Connor for the defence.

At the last hearing David Cummings, described as of Brackenbury-road, Hammersmith, gave evidence of alleged conversations he had with Podmore when they were both in Wandsworth Prison. Cummings said that they had talked about the "Southampton lot," and that when he said to Podmore, "I think you were lucky in a sense; if they had found the watch and the key ——" Podmore replied, "Yes, if they could —— well find it I should be guilty of murder."

When Cummings returned to the witness-box yesterday Mr. O'Connor continued his cross-examination. Cummings was questioned at length about his employment. He agreed that he had had nine months' work in eight years.

Mr. O'Connor also asked him about a remark he made in evidence at the last hearing, when he spoke to Detective-sergeant Macpherson in a jocular way, and said this was what had come out of it. The witness replied, "I did not think he would pay much attention. I took it as a mere joke."

Are you sorry now you spoke?—In a sense I am. In a sense I am not.

The witness, in reply to another question, said that he had lived at No. 5, Brackenbury-road, Hammersmith, since 1927.

Mr. O'Connor repeated his question twice, finally asking, "You swear on your oath that you have been living there?" Cummings again said that he had.

Mr. O'Connor.—If you thought that he (Podmore) had murdered Messiter, you would not have shielded him, would you?—No, certainly not.

If Macpherson had not spoken to you would you have allowed your story to sink into oblivion without even speaking to anybody?—I expect so.

Now, Cummings, I want to talk to you as man to man. Do you realize that if that man there (indicating Podmore) is innocent of this murder it would be an appalling thing if he were hanged on your evidence?—Yes, sir, it would.

I want you to try to visualize your own position. Do you think you would ever know another moment's peace if you were responsible for sending an innocent man to the scaffold?—No, sir, I don't think I would.

The witness had seen reports of the murder in the newspapers, but did not remember seeing reports of two men from Winchester Prison giving evidence of alleged conversations with Podmore. He saw in a newspaper that Podmore's finger prints had been found on a hammer.

Would you be surprised to know that Podmore's finger prints were never found on the hammer?—I do not know that, sir.

If it were never published in a newspaper that Podmore's finger prints were found on a hammer, you must have invented it?—Yes, sir.

WITNESS'S THEORIES

The witness agreed that he might have had his theories regarding the murder.

Don't you think you have been mixing up what you read in the papers with your theories?—No, sir.

Had you any idea in your head that if the watch and keys were found it would solve this murder?—Yes, I had.

That was one of your theories. How do you think it would solve it?—It seemed to me the main object the police were working on.

If someone had murdered Messiter for the purpose of robbery, do you think the person who murdered him would have been likely to throw away his gold watch?—Oh, yes, seeing that they had a scent of it.

"Oh, yes, yes, but wait," said Mr. O'Connor, who repeated his question.

The witness.—Perhaps he would, and perhaps he would not. Perhaps he would think by sinking it for the time being it would all blow over, and then he could go back and get the property and get rid of it.

Would you have sunk it, or pawned it, or melted it down?—No, I would have sunk it.

Have you read of the finding of a watch this morning?—No, Sir, not yet. I have not seen the papers this morning.

He had not heard that a watch had been found.

Where would you have sunk a watch?—It just depends on where I knocked it off.

The word "sunk" seems to me to be very significant?—I mean hide it by "sink" it.

Does the word "sunk" convey to your mind any impression with regard to water?—Yes.

And not having read the newspapers or heard anything would it come as a surprise to you to hear that a watch was found "sunk" in water?—Well, it would come as a surprise.

Mr. O'Connor then asked Cummings about the exercise rings at Wandsworth Prison. The witness said that there were three rings, an inner ring for cripples, one for semi-invalids, and the third for normal men. He had walked in all three. Later he said that he never walked in the inner ring.

When Mr. O'Connor drew his attention to his first answer, the witness said, "Well, we'll let it go at that."

Is that how you think you are entitled to treat a Court of Justice when you are found out in a lie—to say, "Well, we'll let it go at that"—when a man's life depends on it?

The witness said that he was not supposed to walk in the cripples' ring. He agreed that he had been in Podmore's cell. He went there to get out of the way of a warder while Podmore went into another man's cell, took a table from there and put it in his own cell.

Mr. O'Connor suggested that there was not a word of truth in this, and added:—"I will confront you with the prisoner presently and give you a chance to face him."

The number of the witness's cell in Wandsworth Prison was B 422. They were not allowed to visit other prisoners to say good-bye before they left prison. It was about 7.30 on the morning he left that he gave Podmore his name and address. As he passed Podmore's cell Podmore said: "Have you got it?" The witness drew it out of his pocket and gave it to him.

I suggest that there is not a word of truth in that?—Of course you were not there and you don't know. It is quite true.

Am I right in suggesting that the prisoners and men in the underworld have a vocabulary of their own?—Yes.

What would they call a man who invents evidence for the police?—A nark.

Have you known, in your experience, of narks who have sold false evidence to the police?—No. I have never heard of one.

Mr. O'Connor said that he thought the correct title of the gentleman he was referring to was "a copper's nark."

The witness said that he should not think it a good thing from a criminal's point of view to make friends with the police.

Have you many friends in the police force?—I have no friends in the police force, but I know a lot of them. They are no friends of mine.

FAMILIARITY WITH POLICE

The witness agreed that he knew Sergeant Macpherson well enough for them to call each other "Jock" and "Mac." Sergeant Young had addressed him as "Hello, Jock, cheerio."

Did it ever occur to you that if you could purport to assist the police it might make your lot an easier one?—No, I don't think it did.

You are not very sure about it?—I hae me doots, as the Scotchman says.

Did you make the statement you made to the police in this case to assist justice or to assist yourself?—To assist justice, sir.

Justice would have been waiting for it till the crack of doom if you had not met Macpherson?—Very likely.

The witness said that he had never been to Southampton before he came in connexion with this case. Referring to the alleged conversations he had with Podmore, he said that Podmore said that he went to the garage to steal the car, but he had no intention of killing.

You have not told us before that he said he had no intention of killing?—No, because on Friday you interrupted.

Did you tell the Court one word on Friday or up to this moment about this man having said, "I had no intention of killing"?—No, I did not—I did not get time.

Mr. O'Connor questioned Cummings about his statement that Podmore told him that the hammer belonged to him and that it was natural that his finger prints should be on it and asked, "Will you swear that?" The witness seized a Testament in his right hand, and holding it high above his head said, "I swear on my dying oath he did."

The witness was then questioned about Podmore's alleged statement to him that the parents of a woman he knew were paying for Podmore's solicitor.

Do you know that this unfortunate man was represented at the inquest through the generosity of the Coroner of Southampton? I did not know that.

So if he had told you that the woman's parents were paying for his defence it would have been another of Podmore's lies?—Well, why did he say so?

I suggest to you that there is not one word of truth in your evidence that Podmore ever made any statement to you?—There would not be any necessity for me to be sitting here then.

I suggest that you attempted in that prison to speak to Podmore, and Podmore told you to get out or he would report you to the prison authorities?—No, sir, you are a liar—excuse me.

Let me suggest that the whole of your evidence with regard to these alleged statements is a piece of diabolical perjury?—How do you know? How can you prove it?

In reply to Mr. Trapnell, the witness said that his evidence with regard to the statements was true.

Cummings had been seven hours in the witness box when Mr. Trapnell concluded his brief re-examination.

Detective-Sergeant Hector Macpherson, of New Scotland Yard, gave evidence of his meeting with Cummings in Uxbridge-road, Shepherd's Bush, on October 15, 1929. He reported to Detective-Sergeant Young, and saw Cummings again on October 22, when he went to Scotland Yard. When he knew Cummings in 1924 he was living at Rowton House, Hammersmith.

Asked by Mr. O'Connor if usually "destitute down-and-out" men lived there, the witness said, "I should not say that. I know of a counsel who lives there, for one thing. (Laughter.) They have private rooms and pay by the week."

TALK AT WINCHESTER

William George Goulden said that in February last he was awaiting remand in Winchester Prison, and he had conversations with Podmore, who, in the first place, came to him. The witness continued:—"He came over to me and asked me if I was from Southampton. I said that I was and was on remand until the Friday. He asked me if I could get him any information as to when the Messiter inquest was going to take place. I told him I would if I could. He asked me if I could get a newspaper for him as he was the principal witness at the inquest. I told him that I could not. He asked me if they had found the man who had sold the watch. I told him I did not know. I remember saying that I saw the photograph of the watch and the key in the newspaper. I spoke to him on the Thursday following. He asked me again to try to get a newspaper as he wanted to know when the inquest was taking place. He said, 'I knew him and he deserved all he got.' Podmore also said, 'They are trying to drag me into it, but I am not green.'"

Asked by Mr. Trapnell, for the prosecution, if he reported the conversations, the witness said, "Not until after the inquest, when he threatened to take my life. I had to pass his cell and he threatened to take my life. He said he would swing for me. Then I reported the matter immediately."

Answering Mr. O'Connor, the witness said, "I am here to tell the truth, Mr. O'Connor."

Mr. O'Connor.—Who told you my name?—I know it.

Who told you?—I heard it.

Mr. O'Connor repeated the question twice before Goulden said, "I heard two persons outside saying O'Connor was defending."

Goulden agreed that he had been sentenced to two terms of three years' penal servitude, another, which he was now serving, of five years' penal servitude, and five years' preventive detention. He had had 10 other sentences.

So that in your 36 years you have had 13 sentences of imprisonment?—Unfortunately, yes.

Did the Judge refer to you as a pest to law-abiding citizens?—I don't remember.

Would it be right for anybody to describe you as a consummative liar?—I beg your pardon; no, it would not.

Have you been in the habit of going round with a cross and candlestick in your pocket imposing on people?—Not as a Roman Catholic priest; I have been a parson. I would do it again with those hypocrites.

When and where were you ordained?—I was not ordained.

You mean you were going about pretending to be a parson?—Yes.

Collecting money for the poor and needy?—And giving it to them.

Mr. O'Connor was further questioning Goulden about his character when he said, "Please spare me; I have to go back to Parkhurst, where they get newspapers, and it will be all over the prison in five minutes; remember that."

Mr. O'Connor (pointing to Podmore).—And remember that man, too.

Is it not a fact that you are a man who even your own people regard as being beyond the pale of decent society?—It is not exactly that. There is a family feud which can never be healed. That is nothing to do with this Court.

Mr. O'Connor put another question and Goulden said, "I refuse to answer any more of your questions, sir."

The CHAIRMAN of the Bench (Sir Russell Bencraft).—Answer the questions.

Mr. O'Connor asked if he expected any remission on his long sentence for the evidence he gave in this case. The witness replied that he asked for nothing. He was doing this in the interests of a soul that was crying out for justice. He was doing this not in his own interests at all.

You expect no remission at all?—Certainly not.

The Court adjourned until to-day.

SOUTHEND MOTOR-CAR ACCIDENT

CONTRACTOR CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER

Before Mr. Justice Humphreys, at the Central Criminal Court, yesterday WILLIAM GRIDLEY, 61, contractor, on bail, was indicted for the manslaughter of Mary Ann Godden, who died from injuries received in a motor-car accident at Southend-on-Sea. The defendant pleaded "Not Guilty."

Mr. Vernon Gattie appeared for the prosecution; Sir Henry Curtis Bennett, K.C., and Mr. J. F. Eastwood defended.

When the jury were being sworn, Mr. Justice Humphreys excused a woman juror from serving on the ground that there was some evidence of bad language, which his Lordship said it would be offensive for a lady to hear. The woman juror left the box, and a juryman took her place.

It was stated for the prosecution that Mrs. Godden was knocked down by the defendant's motor-car after alighting with her husband from an omnibus in Sutton-road, Southend, opposite their home. The night that the accident occurred was one of those December nights when a strong gale was blowing. It was alleged that the defendant, who was driving the car, was drunk. There was no suggestion, however, said counsel, that the car was being driven at an excessive speed.

Evidence was given for the prosecution.

Dr. J. F. Walker, the Southend police surgeon, said that when he made his examination the defendant raved and threatened him. He said he was an Essex county councillor. He used very bad language, and slapped the police inspector and the witness on the chest and said: "I am a man, not a German, or a Jew." The witness thought the defendant was drunk.

The defendant, giving evidence, denied that he was drunk. He said that while carrying out a sub-contract for the Underground Railway 13 years ago the top of a tunnel fell in on him. The injuries he received made it difficult for him to walk straight after he had been sitting for some time. He admitted that he had got into the habit of using bad language through working with navvies, and particularly the word "bloody." He had just dimmed his lights, and was going slowly when he felt the car hit something. He pulled up at once.

The hearing was adjourned until this morning.

DOCTOR'S CERTIFICATE AS MEDICAL EVIDENCE

Mr. CLARKE HALL, the magistrate at Old-street Police Court, addressing the inspector of police on duty yesterday, said he saw that a new regulation of the Commissioner had come into operation, under which a copy of the doctor's certificate in drunkenness cases should not come before the magistrate. It seemed to him, he said, that it would be rather a hardship on poor people, because he might have to insist upon the doctor being called time after time, and then either the police or the defendants would have to pay. Defendants in that part of London could not afford to pay doctor's fees. He had always simply used doctor's certificates in the interests of the defendants. He thought magistrates ought to have been consulted before a new order like that was given.

SHOT GAMEKEEPER

LABOURER ACQUITTED ON MURDER CHARGE

George Whistlecraft, a farm labourer, of Rickinghall Inferior, indicted at the Suffolk Assizes at Ipswich yesterday for the murder of Charles E. Cornwell, 45, a gamekeeper, employed by Lord Playfair on his Redgrave estate, near Botesdale, was *Acquitted*.

The prosecution was withdrawn after evidence had been given for the Crown by a London gunsmith, and MR. JUSTICE MCCARDIE directed the jury to return a verdict of *Not Guilty*.

Whistlecraft pleaded "Not Guilty."

Mr. J. D. CASSELS, K.C., prosecuting, said that on Sunday, December 8, about 4.30 p.m., Cornwell and a horseman and game-watcher, named William Scott, heard shots fired in Stubbings's Wood, on Lord Playfair's estate. They went into the wood, and Cornwell flashed a light from an electric torch on to the form of a man who, Scott would say, was of similar build to Whistlecraft. The man ran away, closely followed by Cornwell. Another shot rang out, and Cornwell came towards Scott while the other man ran out of the wood. Cornwell, who was hurt, was helped by Scott to some hurdles, and shortly afterwards collapsed and died. External examination showed that there were 22 shot wounds over the left chest and other wounds in the face and left hand.

Whistlecraft, said counsel, was seen walking in the direction of Stubbings's Wood at 4.15 p.m. on December 8. When he was arrested that evening the bottoms of his trousers and his boots were wet. He said that they had been wet for weeks. When charged with shooting Cornwell he made no reply. At his house were found double and single barrelled 12-bore guns and a single-barrelled gun that folded very conveniently for a person who wished to carry it unobserved. The latter fired cartridges of .410 bore. People who heard the shots in Stubbings's Wood said that the explosions were from a .410 bore gun. Target experiments with the folding gun produced spacing of shot and size of area covered similar to those on Cornwell's body. The police compared the soles of Whistlecraft's boots with footprints in the wood, and were of the opinion that the footprints had been made by those boots.

William Scott said that when Cornwell flashed his light on the man in the wood he said something to him (the witness).

Mr. GEOFFREY HOWARD (defending) objected to the admission of what Cornwell said, and the jury withdrew from Court while counsel made their submission on the point to the Judge.

MR. JUSTICE MCCARDIE decided not to admit the statement nor a further statement attributed to Cornwell just before he died.

Scott, resuming his evidence, said that he did not see the face of the man in the wood.

Robert Churchill, gunmaker, of Leicester-square, London, examined several .410 cartridges handed to him, and said that, supposing they had all been fired from one gun he would expect the gun to have a blunt striker, to misfire occasionally, and that the striker would stick occasionally. The folding .410 gun he had examined had a pointed striker, although it answered in other respects to his expectations.

MR. JUSTICE MCCARDIE.—That means that apparently it was not this gun that fired these cartridges?—I cannot swear to that, my Lord. I cannot say this gun fired these cartridges nor that they could never have been fired out of this gun.

Mr. CASSELS.—Does it amount to this: You cannot relate these cartridges to that gun?—I cannot.

MR. JUSTICE MCCARDIE.—That is a very serious difficulty. These are the cartridges you have been associating with this crime, and the gun is produced as being the instrument with which this defendant shot the gamekeeper. Is there any evidence to connect this man with the use of this gun either on that or a previous day?

Mr. CASSELS.—No, beyond that it was found by the police in the house where the prisoner resides and in the room where he was found sitting.

MR. JUSTICE MCCARDIE.—Sitting with his brother?

Mr. CASSELS.—Yes. I recognize it is a serious difficulty in view of this evidence, and in view of other evidence which has been considered by your Lordship as being inadmissible. The only thing the prosecution have left are the footprints, and on those I think it would be unsafe to ask the jury seriously to consider that these footprints in themselves constitute sufficient evidence to enable them to bring in a verdict adverse to the prisoner. This matter has certainly received my consideration.

After consultation with Mr. Tindal Atkinson, who appeared with him, Mr. Cassels said:—"I am prepared to take the responsibility entirely upon myself and to say that it would not be right in the interests of justice to go further with the case for the prosecution. The stage that has been reached at this present moment is certainly the strongest stage we could hope to reach."

MR. JUSTICE MCCARDIE.—It is best for you then to offer no further evidence.

Mr. Cassels.—I offer no further evidence.

The jury, on the direction of the Judge, thereupon returned a verdict of *Not Guilty*, and Whistlecraft was discharged.

PETROL DRUM EXPLOSION

RESUMED INQUEST ON THREE CHILDREN

The inquest was resumed by Sir Walter Schroder at Islington yesterday on the bodies of three children who were killed by a petrol drum explosion in a goods yard at Finsbury Park. The victims were JOHN FREDERICK SMART, 7, WILLIAM PAXTON, 9, and MARK TELFORD, 10. Six other children were injured, and it was for their evidence that the inquest was adjourned.

Inspector Cassidy, of the Metropolitan Police, said that a small piece of wood, which the coroner passed round for inspection, was found in the drum after the explosion. It resembled a piece of charred matchstick.

William Davies, aged 8, who appeared with his head heavily bandaged, was given a seat near the coroner. The CORONER said that the question of responsibility arose, and anything the boy said would be taken down. Mr. North, who said he had been instructed by the Mayor of Islington to watch the case on behalf of the parents of the children concerned, said that he had no objection to the boy giving evidence.

The boy said that on the Saturday morning he went to the goods yard with his little brothers, Jimmy and Micky, and other boys. "When we got into the yard," he went on, "we set a light to one of the tubs. It was round and made of wood. Marky Telford (one of the dead boys) lit a piece of paper and put it into a tub. It went bang, and I fell down." The boy added that he was sure that the tub was a wooden one, and that the drum which exploded, and which was brought into Court, was not the same one.

Addressing the jury, the CORONER said that he thought the case showed that there should be more supervision of a place where danger might exist. It was rather a case where one was wise after the event. Up to that time, apparently, the petroleum company and the railway company were under the impression that no danger existed. Children desired to play, and it was natural for them to go to the first available open space. In their innocence they played with some dangerous articles. He thought there should be a notice at the yard entrance warning trespassers.

A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned in each case, and the jury added a rider that they thought that greater precautions should have been exercised with regard to the safety of the drums.

SENTENCE FOR BLACKMAIL

ARTHUR WALLACE MOBB, cowman, was charged at the Northampton Assizes on Friday with demanding £10 with menaces from a young woman whose name was withheld, on December 2. He pleaded "Guilty." It was stated that when arrested Mobb said that he was a little pressed for money, but had no intention of saying anything against the girl, even if his plan failed. The whole thing was meant for bluff. Superintendent Barker said that Mobb was a native of Peterborough, married with two children. He had a good character. MR. JUSTICE FINLAY sentenced the prisoner to six months' imprisonment, hoping that that light sentence would be a sufficient and sharp lesson.

DISPLACED STEEL WORKERS

A conference has been arranged between the members of the Sheffield branch of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation and the Sheffield Engineering Trades Employers' Association, with a view to considering the giving of preferential treatment in finding work to men displaced by the closing down of the Penistone works of the English Steel Corporation, which employed about 1,000 men.

Sporting News

RACING

NEW TOTALISATORS

DON SANCHO WINS

(FROM OUR RACING CORRESPONDENT)

Two mechanized portable totalisators, which have been approved by the Betting Control Board and which have, indeed, been made to the specifications of the Board, were tested yesterday, the one on the Folkestone racecourse and the other on the racecourse at Thirsk. Each apparently worked well, and it would seem that the Betting Control Board have at last discovered a really workable totalisator. The machine which was tested at Folkestone was made by the British Automatic Totalisator Company in conjunction with Ericssons Telephone Company, and the Thirsk machine by the British Thomson-Houston Company in conjunction with the Automatic Telephone Manufacturing Company. The ticket-issuing machines used with both machines were produced by the Bell Punch and Printing Company.

Both machines are portable—that is to say, the heart of the machine can be taken from course to course. The capital outlay at any racecourse lying idle while there is no racing, is represented only by the building ground, wiring, and permanent fittings, and a certain amount of wiring in the buildings. The indicator boards are the best that I have yet seen and are certainly better even than those in use on the Julius machine at Longchamp. The figures are larger and much clearer, while they seem to change certainly as rapidly when bets are made. Betting with these new machines can go on until the start of the race and are shown as they are made. The new ticket-issuing machines allow of bets on any horse being made at any window. One of the great disadvantages in the past with the totalisators in use in this country has been the fact that special horses could be backed only at certain windows of the issuing building. The Folkestone machine—and I learn that the same can be said of the machine at Thirsk—works just as quickly as any other machine that I have ever seen in any other country, and apparently is able to keep up with the pace of betting, no matter how fast that pace may be. After examining with care the Folkestone machine I am confident that at last the Betting Control Board have found machines which will deal adequately and satisfactorily with any betting that may ever take place on any course in this country.

NOTTINGHAM MEETING

The Nottingham January Meeting was concluded yesterday, when the most important event in the afternoon's programme was the Nottinghamshire Steeplechase. Seven of the 14 starters were among the entries for the Grand National. The winner of the race, Don Sancho, however, was not one of the seven, for although he is a useful horse over a park course he is not yet regarded by his clever trainer as an Aintree horse. Don Sancho was ridden by Moloney, who has only just resumed riding after his accident at Haydock Park. He had another fall yesterday in the first race of the afternoon, but was not injured, and showed by his judgment on Don Sancho that his enforced rest has not done him any harm. Don Sancho was always jumping well and galloping freely. He drew out clear of the field in the Straight and won decisively. In spite of his big weight Donzelon ran well, but the running of Big Wonder was disappointing. He fell at the last fence. Master Billie showed that he is improving, but it may well be that he will not be at his best until the day of the Grand National. Bovril III. was another runner whom the race should have improved. Merrivale II., who was second, is engaged in the National Hunt Steeplechase at Cheltenham, for which, if he does not win before the day of that race, he will be a much-fancied candidate.

The remainder of the afternoon's racing does not call for much comment. Marauder, as he was entitled to be, was an odds-on favourite for the Four-Year-Old Selling Hurdle, which he won easily. He was bought in cheaply for 210 guineas, and he will win again in better company than he was meeting yesterday. Lyall, who had ridden three winners in succession on the first day of the meeting, added to his successes when he won the Rufford Selling Hurdle on his father's mare Elizabeth Ann, who was without a quotation in the market on the race. Viba at one time promised to win, but, as at Newbury, failed to stay home and was third.

Just over a year ago Spring Blossom, after slipping a foal, won a hurdle race. Since then she has continued to do well as a hurdle-racer, and from the easy manner in which she won the Colwick Hurdle yesterday she will win again. She finished very strongly to beat Tidenham and King Eagle, the latter of whom seemed likely for a long time to complete a double for Withington's stable which had been begun by Don Sancho. Mr. Elliott rode a good race on his own horse, Langside, to win the Stayers' Hurdle by three lengths from Bachelor's Runner, with Ballykinler third, and then the meeting was concluded with the win of Flywheel in the Tollerton Steeplechase, in which he made all the running to win from Orbed. The well-backed Sultan of Wicken is a very disappointing animal, and he was beaten on this occasion a long way from the finish.

A meeting which promises to be very interesting will be begun this afternoon at Sandown Park, the most enjoyable racecourse in the country for racing under National Hunt Rules.

SANDOWN PARK PROSPECTS

WOKING SELLING HURDLE (2m.).—Island apparently is not to be started. Spigot Lodge ran well at Manchester in the race won by Tarsus and was well backed in that race. I have seen Etoile d'Argent run well several times, and as he comes from a stable in very good form it would not be wise to ignore any market move in his favour. Puttacota, in the same stable, was a well-backed favourite when failing at Kempton Park last week, and will be ridden here by McGonigal. Colenso has been second in his last two races and has a chance, while if only Alliteration would do his best in the early parts of the race he could quite possibly run away from the field. Ingham is to ride Dutch Gold, who was mildly backed last time out. PUTTACOTA or Alliteration may win. I shall give the former another chance to show that last week's form was wrong.

STANLEY CUP (STEEPLECHASE) (3m.).—This is a race for amateur riders, so that much will depend on the riding. Toy Bell is certain to stay the distance of the race, and, as Mr. Bennett is to ride, he will be well ridden. Phibisher may run well, while there are possibilities about Sir Jasper, who will be ridden by that good race rider Mr. Whitfield. For the winner, however, I shall take DRINTYRE, who ran very well indeed at Newbury last week and who, on that form, has a fine chance of success here. He will be ridden by his owner.

PRINCE ALBERT HURDLE (2m.).—Kinnaird apparently runs, and might run well, but this is not his best course. Even with 12st., however, I prefer the chance of Peertoi, who has won his last three races and who is quite possibly the best hurdler in training at the present time. Hercules has not run for a long time, but will be running over his favourite course. If he is fit and well he has a chance, but I prefer to leave alone horses that have not run for a long time. Accordingly I leave him out. Roi de Saba has a very good chance on his Newbury form of last week, but Rathnally, who was well backed last time out, is best left alone, although he could win such a race as this. On recent form I must select PEERTOI.

MOLE STEEPLECHASE (2½m.).—Lucidor runs, and on his Gatwick form must have a good chance. It is impossible to say how good he may be. Castletown does not run, while Shadow seems to have lost all form. Dash o' White is very moderate in spite of his recent win. EASY VIRTUE seems to me on some form very well handicapped, and as he is apparently to be started here, he is my selection.

METROPOLITAN HURDLE (2m.).—Ivory has been beaten since he won at Hurst Park. He must have a good chance here with only 10st. 12lb. Yearly ran well at Newbury last week, but Volta's Pride will apparently never do his best nowadays on the racecourse, and so is best left alone. Blunt ran prominently at Kempton Park last week, while it is probable that the best was not seen of Michaelmas Day in his last race at Hurst Park. This is, I am sure, a good hurdler, and he or Ivory may win. My choice is MICHAELMAS DAY.

EXPERIMENTAL STEEPLECHASE (2m.).—The riders in this race must be comparative novices, for none of them may have ridden 10 winners under the Rules of Steeplechasing or Racing. Perhaps SAUNTER will win. He always seems to fall when ridden by an experienced rider, and such animals sometimes go better for a new rider.

SANDOWN PARK PROGRAMME

(The letter "a" is prefixed to the names of horses which have arrived)

1.30.—The WOKING SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. Two miles.

		Yrs	st	lb
Hat Rock (Mr. R. G. Shaw)	Gosden	a	12	7
Island (Mrs. N. Brownlee)	Butchers	5	12	4
aSpigot Lodge (Mrs. E. Brock)	Pendarves	a	12	0
Treasurer (Mr. A. D. Halford)	A. Law	a	12	0
High Spray (Mrs. F. Gilbert)	Coldbeck	a	11	13
Bantling (Lord Londesborough)	H. A. Brown	6	11	13
aEtoile d'Argent (Mr. S. Wootton)	F. Wootton	6	11	13
Emphatic (Mrs. C. Jones)	J. Scott	a	11	11
Duc de Guise (Mrs. Panto)	S. Bennet	6	11	11
Vic's Choice (Mr. E. G. de Mestre)	De Mestre	a	11	9
Alliteration (Mrs. C. Evans)	Turner	a	11	9
Monk's Dream (Miss Williams Bulkeley)	Gore	6	11	9
Classic Lady (Mr. H. Curtis)	A. Law	a	11	8
aPatsy (Mr. J. Sale)	Killalee	a	11	6
Polange (Mr. A. Boxall)	Pendarves	6	11	6
Epilogue (Mr. Johnson)	Pendarves	5	11	5
Mica (7lb. ex.) (Mr. W. Hutchinson)	A. Law	6	11	4
Valdore (Mr. P. Hands)	Thrale	a	11	2
Bosy Bisto (Major C. H. Stevens)	Stevens	a	10	12
Lemurian (Mr. A. Bassett)	Hammond	6	10	10
Colenso (Mr. P. Hands)	Thrale	4	10	8
Croide Oir (Mr. G. S. Langlands)	G. Langlands	5	10	7
aDunshaughlin (Mr. A. Law)	A. Law	5	10	7
Flaxen Boy (Mr. W. Hutchinson)	A. Law	a	10	6
aDutch Gold (Mr. C. L. Smith)	C. W. Langlands	4	10	4
aFestum (Mr. W. Scott)	Killalee	5	10	2
Puttacota (Mr. S. Wootton)	F. Wootton	4	10	

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

Spigot Lodge, F. Brookes; Etoile d'Argent, —; Duc de Guise, T. James; Alliteration, G. Hardy; Monk's Dream, R. McCarthy; Patsy or Festum, H. Graves; Bosy Bisto, R. Everett; Colenso, R. Thrale; Dunshauglin, —; Dutch Gold, S. Ingham; Puttacota, J. McGonigal.

2.0.—The STANLEY CUP (AMATEUR RIDERS) HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs., including a cup value 50 sovs., at the option of the winner; Three miles and about 125 yards.

		Yrs	st	lb
Big Wonder (Mr. G. S. L. Whitelaw)	Whitelaw	a	12	7
Instock (Mr. K. Goode)	Poole	a	12	4
aEasy Virtue (Mr. W. P. Tyser)	H. A. Brown	a	12	4
Estuna (Mr. A. P. Parker)	R. E. Parker	a	12	2
Drin (Captain A. F. W. Gossage)	Woodland	6	11	13
The Monk (Mrs. J. Vinson-Thomas)	Powell	a	11	12
aToy Bell (Mrs. E. D. Cohen)	Powell	a	11	12
Knight of the Wilderness (Mr. F. H. W. Cundell)	Savill	a	11	10
aSir Jasper (Lieutenant-Colonel D. Bingham)	Thompson	a	11	1
Drintyre (Mr. C. N. Brownhill)	Thrale	a	11	1
Fine Yarn (Sir P. G. Lawson)	Pendarves	a	11	0
Phibisher (Mrs. J. Bellingham)	Woodland	a	10	12
aSmoke Cloud (Mr. C. Winn)	F. Hartigan	a	10	12
Cuthbert (Mr. R. H. Courage)	Courage	a	10	7
Cloringo (Wing-Commander W. R. Read)	Read	a	10	6
Royal Stingo (Mr. R. W. Buckingham)	Ward	a	10	6
aBlack Sea (Mr. D. D. Stewart)	Stewart	6	10	5

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

Toy Bell, Mr. R. Bennett; Sir Jasper, Mr. L. Whitfield; Drintyre, Owner; Fine Yarn, Owner; Phibisher, Colonel H. Dillon; Smoke Cloud, —; Cloringo, Owner; Royal Stingo, Owner; Black Sea, Owner.

2.35.—The PRINCE ALBERT HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 300 sovs. Two miles.

		Yrs	st	lb
Kinnaird (Mr. E. Platt)	Poole	a	12	7
Peertoi (5lb. ex.) (Mr. S. Wootton)	F. Wootton	5	12	0
aHercules (Sir Malcolm McAlpine)	J. M. Bell	a	11	12
Fenimore Cooper (Mr. V. Emanuel)	Duller	6	11	6
Alan (Vicomtesse de la Chapelle)	J. Scott	6	11	1
aRathnally (Baron F. de Tuyll)	F. Hartigan	6	10	12
The Brown Talisman (Mr. Michael Stephens)	Blair	6	10	9
Souchong (Mr. F. D. Pirie)	Collinson	6	10	6
aLounge Lizard (Lord Lovat)	W. Nightingall	4	10	3
aRoi de Saba (Sir P. Newson)	W. Nightingall	4	10	3
Great Care (Captain A. Stanley Wilson)	Whitaker	a	10	2
Sarong (Mr. H. B. Brandt)	James	6	10	0

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

Kinnaird, W. Stott; Peertoi, S. Ingham; Hercules, T. Morgan; Fenimore Cooper, P. Donoghue; Alan, H. Graves; Rathnally, —; The Brown Talisman, —; Souchong, F. Grantham; Lounge Lizard or Roi de Saba, W. Speck; Sarong, W. O'Grady. R. Everett will ride either Rathnally or The Brown Talisman.

3.5.—The MOLE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. Two miles and a half and about 75 yards.

		Yrs	st	lb
aBlaris (Mrs. H. M. Hollins)	W. Payne	a	12	7
Kingsford (Mr. E. Platt)	Poole	a	11	13
Glanmore (Captain T. McDougal)	F. Hartigan	a	11	9
Castletown (7lb. ex.) (Mr. E. Platt)	Poole	a	11	7
aLucidor (Mr. H. Savill)	Savill	a	11	2
aEasy Virtue (Mr. W. P. Tyser)	H. A. Brown	a	11	1
St Germaine (Sir L. Goulding)	Woodland	a	10	10
Cryptical (Mr. F. H. Bowcher)	Bowcher	a	10	9
Camp Bed (Mrs. M. Gordon)	Powell	a	10	6
Fluke (Mr. H. F. Clayton)	Martin	a	10	5
aEast Africa (Mr. G. C. Lees-Milne)	Powell	a	10	5
Annandale (Lady Glenapp)	Pease	a	10	4
aSt. Roy (Major T. H. Sebag-Montefiore)	Woodland	6	10	3
aSmoke Cloud (Mr. C. Winn)	F. Hartigan	a	10	0
Shadow (Mr. A. W. Groom)	W. Nightingall	a	10	0
aDash o' White (Mr. P. S. Akroyd)	Stubbs	a	10	0

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

Lucidor, T. Morgan; East Africa, W. Parvin; Annandale, F. Gurney; St. Roy, G. Goswell; Smoke Cloud, —; Shadow, W. Speck; Dash o' White, K. Piggott; Easy Virtue, —.

3.35.—The METROPOLITAN MAIDEN HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs. Two miles.

		Yrs	st	lb
Arctic Star (Lady Curzon of Kedleston)	W. Nightingall	6	11	11
aWest Indies (Mr. C. B. Rowe)	C. Chapman	6	11	11
Michaelmas Day (Mr. C. Harmsworth)	Poole	5	11	8
Fair Weather Jack (Mr. A. E. Berry)	F. Morgan	6	11	1
John o' London (Mr. W. Clarke)	E. Piggott	5	11	1
Observatory (Mr. D. Crossman)	Whitaker	5	11	1
Alan Malone (Mr. A. P. Cunliffe)	Woodland	6	11	1
Blunt (Mr. I. Z. Davis)	Thrale	5	11	1
aThe Sirdar (Mr. V. Emanuel)	Duller	a	11	1
Valois (Mrs. V. Emanuel)	Duller	6	11	1
Dark Ages (Mr. M. Field)	I. Anthony	6	11	1
aElton (Mrs. R. W. Foster)	H. Leader	5	11	1
Grecian Hope (Sir K. Fraser)	Fraser	6	11	1
Livid (Lord Glanely)	Duller	5	11	1
Lemington (Mr. F. L. Hill)	Hammond	6	11	1
aTrunk Call (Mr. H. J. Joel)	C. Chapman	5	11	1
aThe Wheedler (Sir M. McAlpine)	Duller	5	11	1
aDouble Spot (Major D. Mairs)	Mairs	a	11	1
aYoung Middleton (Mr. M. Markham)	Thompson	6	11	1
Cheerio (Mr. E. G. de Mestre)	De Mestre	5	11	1
aCarman (Major H. Musker)	H. Leader	5	11	1
Hippolytus (Captain C. B. Petre)	Petre	5	11	1
aVolta's Pride (Mr. E. L. Short)	W. Nightingall	a	11	1
Mount Hawke (Mr. H. Simmonds)	Dick	a	11	1
aOn Approval (Mr. H. Simmonds)	Dick	a	11	1
Mr. Flim (Major C. H. Stevens)	Stevens	5	11	1
aNestorian (Mrs. F. Wallace)	J. Beary	5	11	1
Benedictus (Mrs. F. Wallace)	J. Beary	5	11	1
Northward (Mrs. E. Wallace)	Larkin	5	11	1
Yearly (Mr. B. Warner)	O. Anthony	5	11	1
Chatsworth (Lady Warrender)	H. A. Brown	5	11	1
Fire Engine (Mr. W. W. Hope)	R. T. Waugh	6	11	1
Ivory (Mr. C. Livingston)	C. Chapman	4	10	12
aTangira (Lord Beaverbrook)	F. Wootton	4	10	5
Copacabana (Major L. B. Holliday)	De Mestre	4	10	5
Interdite (Mr. C. D. Peachey)	O'Neill	4	10	5
Lambin (Mr. M. Stephens)	Blair	4	10	5

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

West Indies or Trunk Call, C. Mallon; Michaelmas Day, Stott; Fair Weather Jack, D. Morgan; Blunt, R. Thrale; The Sirdar or The Wheedler, P. Donoghue; Elton or Carman, R. Everett; Double Spot, T. Morgan; Young Middleton, J. Hamey; Hippolytus, W. Speck; Volta's Pride, —; On Approval, —; Nestorian, J. Hogan; Yearly, G. Pellerin; Ivory, J. Teasdale; Tangira, J. McGonigal; Lambin, E. Foster.

4.5.—The EXPERIMENTAL HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. Two miles and about 25 yards.

		Yrs	st	lb
Wroxham Bridge (Captain C. B. Petre)	Petre	a	12	0
Saunter (Mr. C. A. Ringwood)	Gosden	a	11	11
Maori Chief (7lb. ex.) (Mr. W. H. Cooper)	Private	a	11	4
Labrador (Mr. M. Field)	I. Anthony	a	11	3
aDaring Boy (Mr. J. Pendarves)	Pendarves	a	11	1
Jim Langford (Mrs. Clegg)	F. A. Brown	a	11	1
Fog Horn (Mr. Tilleard)	Sayday	a	11	0
Newtown Wonder (Mr. G. S. Langlands)	G. S. Langlands	a	10	13
Camp Bed (Mrs. M. Gordon)	Powell	a	10	13
aNon Plus (Mr. H. Beaufoy)	A. Law	a	10	12
aEast Africa (Mr. G. C. Lees-Milne)	Powell	a	10	11
aChase Fire (Captain J. W. Bridges)	I. Anthony	a	10	10
Kista (Lord Sefton)	H. A. Brown	5	10	7
Hackdale (Mrs. Whitelaw)	Whitelaw	a	10	5
Renter (Mr. H. Peel)	Poole	5	10	5
Blakesley (Mrs. S. A. Jones)	Stanley	a	10	1
Noble Birth (Mr. J. P. Chapman)	J. Chapman	a	10	1
Ruhr (Mr. R. N. Willett)	Willett	a	10	0

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

Saunter, —; Daring Boy, J. Doolan; Non Plus, J. Browne; East Africa, —; Chase Fire, R. Clark; Noble Birth, —.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS

SANDOWN PARK MEETING

Woking Selling Handicap Hurdle.—Squire Simon.
Experimental Handicap Steeplechase.—Kingsford.
Cardinal's Handicap Hurdle.—Douanier.
February Maiden Hurdle.—Persian Prince.

MISCELLANEOUS

Grand Allies Steeplechase Handicap (Manchester).—Creebrae.
February Handicap Steeplechase (Manchester).—Phantom Robert.
Rufford Selling Handicap Hurdle (Nottingham).—Bantling.
Colwick Handicap Hurdle (Nottingham).—Kista.
Waterfall Hurdle (Warwick).—Vigilant.
Plumpton Engagements (February 1).—Squire Simon, Summercourt.
All Engagements in Mr. G. A. Butcher's Name.—Sunbronze.
All Engagements.—Shaun Or, Flown Away, Black Miner (dead), Cablegram (dead), Stage Management.

GUARDIAN PARI-MUTUEL PRICES

(2s. UNIT.—STAKE AND WINNING)

1.15.—Marauder, Win 3s. 6d., Place 2s. 3d.; Windora, Place 5s. 9d.; Purple Emperor, Place 3s.
1.45.—Elizabeth Ann, Win 7s. 9d., Place 3s. 9d.; Anton, Place 9s.; Viba, Place 3s. 3d.
2.15.—Don Sancho, Win 21s., Place 4s. 3d.; Merrivale II., Place 5s. 3d.; Kingsdown, Place 21s. 9d.
2.45.—Spring Blossom, Win 6s. 6d., Place 3s. 3d.; Tidenham, Place 10s. 3d.; King Eagle, Place 12s. 6d.
3.15.—Langside, Win 39s., Place 14s. 6d.; Bachelor's Runner, Place 18s. 3d.; Ballykinler, Place 12s.
3.45.—Flywheel, Win 72s., Place 23s. 9d.; Orbed, Place 4s. 3d.
African Double.—3.15, Langside, and 3.45, Flywheel—Unbacked.

NOTTINGHAM RESULTS

1.15 (1.17).—The FOUR-YEAR-OLD SELLING HURDLE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

MARAUDER, b g, by Brigand—Eun Mara (Mr. R. Abrahams), 10st. 12lb. .... W. Stott 1
WINDORA, b g, by Viceroy—Ural (Mr. G. W. Hands), 10st. 12lb. .... W. Speck 2
PURPLE EMPEROR, ch g, by Spion Kop—Picotte (Mrs. T. Setchell), 10st. 8lb. .... F. Gurney 3
Blue Bottle (Mr. A. Dawson), 10st. 3lb. .. F. Bellears 0
Grape Knut (Mr. F. W. Dennis), 10st. 8lb. .. R. Lyall 0
Beau Sabreur (Mr. P. Hands), 10st. 8lb. .. R. Thrale 0
Golden Rye (Mrs. F. M. Kershaw), 10st. 8lb. J. Moloney 0
Irish Moor (Mr. Nichols), 10st. 8lb. ...... S. Mulcaster 0
Sufferance (Lieut.-Colonel H. T. Sykes), 10st. 8lb. K. Piggott 0
Free Forester (Mr. A. T. Threlfell), 10st. 3lb. Mr. R. Threlfell 0

(Winner trained by G. Bennett, at Alfriston.)

BETTING.—11 to 10 on Marauder, 6 to 1 agst Windora and Beau Sabreur, 10 to 1 Irish Moor and Free Forester, 100 to 7 each agst the others.

Won by four lengths; three lengths separated second and third. Free Forester was fourth and Blue Bottle last.

1.45 (1.47).—The RUFFORD SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE of 150 sovs. Two miles.

ELIZABETH ANN, br m, by Eaglehawk—Irene Catherine (Mr. J. G. Lyall), 5 yrs, 10st. R. Lyall 1
ANTON, b g, by Rose Prince—Ours (Mr. R. C. Pearson), 4 yrs, 10st. .... K. Piggott 2
VIBA, b g, by Cylba—Vida (Mr. P. Hands), aged, 11st. 9lb. .... R. Thrale 3
Hat Rock (Mr. R. G. Shaw), aged, 11st. 12lb. A. Linegar 0
Lonesome (Mr. J. P. Johnson), 6 yrs, 11st. 12lb. Owner 0
Golden Ermine (Mr. W. Needham), 6 yrs, 11st. 9lb. W. Parvin 0
Vic's Choice (Mr. E. G. de Mestre), aged, 11st. 5lb. S. Ingham 0
Shining Light (Mr. V. Smyth), aged, 11st. 5lb. A. Escott 0
Creciente (Mrs. E. M. Rayner), 5 yrs, 11st. .. H. East 0
Sprinkle Light (Mr. R. Renton), aged, 10st. 12lb. A. Waudby 0
Silver River (Mr. F. Manning), aged, 10st. 10lb. W. Gurney 0
Connie Duff (Mr. H. A. Brown), aged, 10st. 4lb. P. Kelly 0
Poutchartrain (Captain H. Y. Hicking), 5 yrs, 10st. 5lb. .... W. Speck 0
Cross Hands (Lord Westmorland), aged, 10st. 5lb. W. Stott 0
Stripanatit (Mr. G. Picken), 4 yrs, 10st. 4lb. H. Graves 0
Chimpanzee (Mr. C. A. Burton), aged, 10st. E. Foster 0

(Winner trained by Lyall, at Bracebridge)

BETTING.—5 to 1 each agst Viba and Connie Duff, 6 to 1 Vic's Choice, 13 to 2 Creciente, 7 to 1 Silver River, 8 to 1 each Cross Hands and Stripanatit, 100 to 8 Golden Ermine, 100 to 6 each agst the others.

Won by a length and a half; a neck separated second and third. Shining Light was fourth and Hat Rock last.

2.15 (2.18).—The NOTTINGHAMSHIRE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 500 sovs.; second to receive 75 sovs. and third 25 sovs. Three miles and a half.

DON SANCHO, ch g, by Succoth—Woodbine (Mr. V. H. Smith), aged, 12st. .... J. Moloney 1
MERRIVALE II., b g, by Rising Flour—The Vale (Lord Westmorland), aged, 10st. W. Stott 2
KINGSDOWN, b g, by The White Knight—Prunelle (Mr. J. Johnstone), aged, 11st. 4lb. E. Davey 3
Donzelon (Colonel G. Foljambe), aged, 12st. 13lb. R. Lyall 0
Big Wonder (Mr. G. S. Whitelaw), aged, 12st. Captain Weber 0
Bovril III. (Mr. G. W. Pennington), aged, 11st. 11lb. S. Mulcaster 0
Master Billie (Mr. W. Parsonage), aged, 11st. 6lb. T. Cullinan 0
Matchlock (Mr. J. Johnstone), aged, 11st. 4lb. Mr. L. Whitfield 0
Delarue (Mr. J. B. Snow), aged, 11st. G. Wilson 0
Ruddyman (Mr. H. G. Selfridge), aged, 10st. 11lb. E. Brown 0
Maroon Gun (Colonel J. A. Fairhurst), aged, 10st. 11lb. .... D. Williams 0
Oxclose (Mr. R. Renton), 6 yrs, 10st. 6lb. A. Waudby 0
Zeus (Mr. G. T. Unwin), aged, 10st. 1lb. W. Parvin 0
Carbineer II. (Mrs. G. Shorrock), aged, 9st. 11lb. J. Farrell 0

(Winner trained by Withington, at Bicester)

BETTING.—3 to 1 agst Don Sancho, 6 to 1 Big Wonder and Delarue, 7 to 1 Merrivale II., 8 to 1 Donzelon, 10 to 1 Master Billie, 100 to 8 Maroon Gun, 20 to 1 each agst the others.

Won by 15 lengths; five lengths separated second and third. Donzelon was fourth and Bovril III. last.

2.45 (2.48).—The COLWICK HANDICAP HURDLE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

SPRING BLOSSOM, b m, by Eaglehawk—Spring Bloom (Mr. J. Johnstone), 5 yrs, 11st. 12lb. Mr. Whitfield 1
TIDENHAM, b g, by Sir Berkeley—Long Trail (Mrs. A. R. Anderson), 5 yrs, 11st. 6lb. J. Hamey 2
KING EAGLE, ch g, by Roi Hero—Toem Bird (Major A. W. Huntington), aged, 10st. 7lb. J. Moloney 3
Bernadotte (Mr. E. Osborn), 6 yrs, 11st. 5lb. R. Lyall 0
Orpall (Mr. T. B. Watson), 5 yrs, 11st. 2lb. J. Mason 0
Wisdom Gift (Mr. A. Cook), 4 yrs, 11st. 5lb. Mr. Clark 0
Teddie G (Sir E. Hanmer), 4 yrs, 11st. ...... J. Walsh 0
Bucene (Mr. H. J. Bruston), aged, 10st. 12lb. G. Goswell 0
Cyclax (Mr. T. Coulthwaite), aged, 10st. 11lb. A. Escott 0
Iron Man (Mrs. J. W. Elnor), 5 yrs, 10st. 4lb. F. Elnor 0
Zero Hour (Mr. E. W. Merrell) 5 yrs, 10st. 7lb. W. Speck 0
Caros (Mr. D. G. Dickson), 6 yrs, 10st. 2lb. K. Piggott 0

(Winner trained by E. Davey, at Lochmaben)

BETTING.—9 to 4 agst Spring Blossom, 4 to 1 King Eagle, 6 to 1 Tidenham, 7 to 1 each Orpall and Bucene, 8 to 1 Teddie G, 10 to 1 Cyclax, 100 to 7 each agst the others.

Won by 10 lengths; three lengths separated second and third. Orpall was fourth and Wisdom Gift last.

3.15 (3.15).—The STAYERS' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs. About two miles and three-quarters.

LANGSIDE, br g, by Sir Eager—Perugia (Mr. G. Elliott), aged, 10st. 7lb. .... Owner 1
BACHELOR'S RUNNER, b h, by Indian Runner—Mrs. Beecham (Mr. J. W. Pidcock), 6 yrs, 11st. 2lb. .... Mr. W. Bissill 2
BALLYKINLER, br g, by Simonson—Jinker (Mr. E. W. Merrell), aged, 10st. 5lb. ...... W. Gurney 3
Fairy Water (Mr. R. W. Colling), 5 yrs, 11st. 11lb. G. Goswell 0
Moral (Colonel C. de Paravicini), 5 yrs, 11st. Hodgkinson 0
Spontoon (Mr. T. E. Jesson), aged, 10st. 12lb. P. Powell 0
Hidalgo II. (Mr. Watson), aged, 10st. 11lb. J. Mason 0
Tower Hill (Mr. G. F. Waller), aged, 10st. 4lb. A. Linegar 0
Prince Sadim (Mr. V. Smyth), aged, 10st. 9lb. A. Escott 0
Torchlight Tattoo (Mr. J. B. Balding), 6 yrs, 10st. 7lb. J. Moloney 0

(Winner trained by Wint, at Admaston)

BETTING.—9 to 4 agst Hidalgo II., 100 to 30 Tower Hill, 6 to 1 Ballykinler, 7 to 1 each Bachelor's Runner and Prince Sadim, 8 to 1 Langside, 100 to 6 each agst the others.

Won by three lengths; four lengths separated second and third. Spontoon was fourth and Fairy Water last.

3.45 (3.47).—The TOLLERTON HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

FLYWHEEL, b h, by Flying Orb—Eleni (Mr. E. B. Forwood), 5 yrs, 10st. .... J. Regan 1
ORBED, bl g, by Orb—Mrs. A (Mr. W. H. Thorpe), 6 yrs, 10st. 7lb. .... F. Brookes 2
CONNOLLY'S FOLLY, b g, by Marforio—Miss Jenkins (Mr. H. Deterding), aged, 11st. 9lb. Owner 3
Labrador (Mr. M. Field), aged, 11st. 7lb. D. Williams 0
Sultan of Wicken (Dowager Lady Penrhyn), aged, 11st. .... J. Moloney 0
Jingle Johnnie (Mr. W. Dudley Ward), 5 yrs, 10st. 4lb. .... G. Brooks 0
Sublime Fire (Mr. J. Powell), 6 yrs, 10st. .. E. Foster 0

(Winner trained by Forwood, at Stamford Mere, Rugby)

BETTING.—7 to 4 agst Orbed, 9 to 4 Sultan of Wicken, 6 to 1 Labrador, 13 to 2 Connolly's Folly, 100 to 12 Flywheel, 100 to 7 each agst the others.

Won by five lengths; 10 lengths separated second and third. Sultan of Wicken was fourth and Labrador the only other to finish.

POLO

COUNTY TOURNAMENTS

Subject to approval by the County Polo Association, provincial tournaments will be held during the coming season on the following dates:—

BEAUFORT.—April 21-May 3; July 21-26; September 8-20.
MELTON MOWBRAY.—May 19-24; August 11-16.
STOKE D'ABERNON.—May 19-24; September 8-13.
ALDERSHOT.—May 26 (Novices begins); June 9-14; July 7 (Low Handicap begins); July 21 (American Tournament begins).
TIDWORTH.—May 26-31; August 4-9.
CHELTENHAM.—May 26-31; July 28-August 2.
R.A.F., HALTON.—June 2-7.
YORK.—June 9-14; August 4-9.
CIRENCESTER.—June 9-14; August 11-16.
FOXBURY.—July 21-26.
COWDRAY PARK.—July 28-August 2.
MORETON MORRELL.—July 28-August 2.
WIRRAL.—July 28-August 2.
RUGBY.—August 4-9; August 25-30; September 8-13.

In the semi-final round of the tournament for the Prix de la Riviera at the Côte d'Azur Polo Club, Cannes, the Pumas team beat the Night Hawks team (received 4½) by 10 goals to 8½.

The teams were:—

PUMAS.—R. Sinclaire, No. 1; Baron R. Schroeders, No. 2; Major P. Magor, No. 3; and W. Balding, back.
NIGHT HAWKS.—G. Madlener, No. 1; Prince Omar Halim, No. 2; R. Treeck, No. 3; and Major E. P. Johnston, back.

SPEED SKATING

EUROPEAN AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

NIDAROS (formerly TRONDHJEM), Jan. 26.—I. Ballangrud (Norway), world's champion in 1926, to-day won the amateur speed-skating championship of Europe. The competition, for which there were only Dutch, Swedish and Norwegian entries, was decided over four distances, 500 metres, 1,500 metres, 5,000 metres, and 10,000 metres.

Ballangrud finished first in each race, the results being:—

500 METRES.—Ballangrud (Norway), 44 9-10sec., 1; Haakon Petersen (Norway), 45 2-5sec., 2; Stakstrud (Norway), 45 3-5sec., 3.
1,500 METRES.—Ballangrud, 2min. 20 9-10sec., 1; Stakstrud, 2min. 22 9-10sec., 2; Van der Scheer (Holland), 2min. 25 9-10sec., 3.
5,000 METRES.—Ballangrud, 8min. 35 1-5sec., 1; Herden (Holland), 8min. 47 3-5sec., 2.
10,000 METRES.—Ballangrud, 17min. 47sec., 1; Stenhuk (Holland), 17min. 50 3-5sec., 2; Stakstrud, 18min. 2 1-5sec., 3.—Reuter.

BADMINTON

Surrey beat Hampshire by nine matches to none at Badminton at Sutton.

The results were:—

H. S. Uber and A. K. Jones (Surrey) beat L. T. Pullen and S. Wyatt (18—14, 15—10); beat A. Parrott and S. Toogood (17—18, 18—14, 15—10); beat R. G. Price and J. Edleston (15—8, 15—4).
A. W. Goodfellow and J. Vincent (Surrey) beat Pullen and Wyatt (12—15, 15—10, 15—6); beat Parrott and Toogood (10—15, 17—16, 15—7); beat Price and Edleston (2—15, 15—11, 17—16).
E. J. Evans and F. W. Percival (Surrey) beat Pullen and Wyatt (15—6, 15—12); beat Parrott and Toogood (15—7, 15—9); beat Price and Edleston (6—15, 15—4, 15—2).

Hampshire defeated Surrey in an inter-county women's Badminton match by eight events to one at Southampton.

Warwickshire beat Worcestershire by 10 matches to six in Group 3 of the Badminton County Championship at Warwick.

SCHOOL SPORTS

EASTER TERM PROSPECTS

The Easter term is, in many respects, the most interesting of the three, through the variety of the Sports. Eton abandon the Wall and Field games and turn their attention to Rugby and Association football; Harrow, who had a most promising season before Christmas, in their third year of Rugby football, devote the term to the game which is so closely associated with the School; and Winchester abandon the Net game for Association football.

Besides Eton, Lancing play Rugby after Christmas, and thus more matches between schools are played in the Easter term. These will be still further increased next season, when St. Lawrence, Ramsgate, take up the Rugby game.

Eton and Lancing were unfortunate last year, when frost ruined the season, and only a limited number of games could be played. It was impossible to judge the form of Eton, as, after a defeat at Windsor, by the Imperial Service College, early in February, they were unable to play another school match until near the end of March, when they gained a decisive victory over Douai. Eton and Lancing are handicapped in their earlier matches, as, with only a small amount of practice, they have to meet sides who have played together for three months and are conversant with each other's play. This was the case in the first match last year, when Eton met a very good combined team who had previously defeated Reading and St. John's, Leatherhead. They held their own well forward, where their physique always stands them in good stead, but they had not the knowledge of place outside the scrum, though they put plenty of dash into their play. It was a different matter when they met Douai six weeks later. Though their other school matches with Wellington, Beaumont, Rugby, and St. Paul's had been scratched, they had had a certain amount of practice, under the coaching of Mr. C. Mayes, who has done much for the game at Eton, and their victory, by a goal and seven tries to a goal and a try, was well deserved.

Of that side there remain D. McKenna, the new "keeper," at scrummage half-back, two three-quarter backs, and three forwards, to form the nucleus of the fifteen. McKenna and his brother, M. McKenna, who played outside half-back the year before last, showed great promise when playing as a young pair for the Colts four years ago, and with the favourable conditions prevailing now a good season is anticipated, as the players at Mr. Mayes's command look better than usual. Eton may always be relied upon to turn out a strong and heavy pack, where the lessons in dribbling learnt in the Field Game bear good fruit.

Eton generally manage to hold their own against the schools who have been playing all through the Michaelmas term, though they had a lean season in 1928, when they suffered severely from injuries to some of the best players. In 1922, under W. P. Bull, who played twice in the annual match between the Public Schools of the North and South, they won all their 11 matches, having scored 226 points to 69. Their victims included Dulwich, St. Paul's, Wellington, Douai, Beaumont, Imperial Service College, and Reading.

An interesting fixture list has been arranged for this half, opening on Tuesday, February 4, with the annual match against Mr. Mayes's XV. Bedford, Dulwich, and St. Paul's no longer appear, but Wellington, who were first played nearly 20 years ago, Beaumont and Imperial Service College, near neighbours of Eton, Douai and Rugby (first played in 1928) will again be met, besides Radley and Lancing. Radley have only visited Eton once, when Eton won, in 1922, by a goal and five tries to nothing. Eton and Lancing will meet for the first time and under equal conditions. The fixture list is considerably strengthened from that of last year, and includes a fixture with a scratch side brought by A. D. Stoop, a return match with Eton Manor—the Eton Mission—and with the Harrow Masters, when several of the Harrow XV. will be included in the visiting side.

Lancing, who are only in their third season, have a more modest fixture list, and wisely confine themselves chiefly to practice games and House matches, the first and second rounds of which will be played in the third week in February. The season opens next Saturday against Worthing, and Brighton Artillery and Richmond "A" will be met before the visit to Eton on February 20. Athletics form such an important feature of the Lancing curriculum that no matches are played after February. A. H. Williams, last year's captain and scrummage half-back, will be missed, but F. D. Lynch, who succeeds him, showed promising form at fly-half, and will have the assistance of F. H. Chrestien and J. W. F. Lance, old colours, and J. H. T. Leachman, H. Leonard-Williams, and J. H. Davenport, who all played in the pack last year. Chrestien will probably lead the pack, and Lance will take Williams's place at scrummage half-back.

Bedford, Dulwich, Bromsgrove, Cheltenham, Ellesmere, Durham, Eltham, Perse, St. George's (Harpenden), St. Bees, Sedbergh, Ampleforth, K.E.S. (Birmingham), Denstone, and others confine themselves mainly to the Rugby game, Winchester, Bradfield, Charterhouse, and Westminster entirely to Association, while hockey claims an annually increasing following, among whom the latest recruit is Kelly College, who, however, will play no matches away from the school in this their first season. Rugby, Uppingham, Haileybury, Wellington, and many others divide their affections between Rugby football and hockey. A. R. Snelus, the football captain, is also captain of hockey at Haileybury, who meet Wellington, at Haileybury, in the annual match on March 15. Haileybury have yet to win their first victory in the series.

For many years past Malvern have played house matches under Rugby Union rules, while some of the Rugby playing schools try their hand at Association. Many others devote the earlier weeks of the term to the juniors' football, whose games are supervised and refereed by the senior boys, while some find the river their attraction. This is the case at Hereford Cathedral School, whose four won the Public Schools' Challenge Cup at Marlow last year. Three of the four are still at the school, which has won every race in which it has taken part since 1925, 25 races in all. E. C. N. Adams is captain of boats this year, and the school regatta will be held on March 22. Bedford, Eton, and others also devote a considerable part of the term to rowing, and the House Fours and Trial Eights will be held towards the end. St. Dunstan's is one of the few schools in the South which devote the term to lacrosse.

The annual boxing tournament between Bedford, Dulwich, Eton, and Haileybury will be held at Bedford on March 22; and that between Beaumont, Bradfield, Charterhouse, and Wellington will be at Wellington on March 8.

LAWN TENNIS

NEW COURTS TOURNAMENT AT CANNES

CANNES, Jan. 28.—The results of the finals of the New Courts Club's Tournament here to-day were:—

SINGLES.—FINAL ROUND.—W. T. Tilden (U.S.A.) beat G. de Stefani (Italy) (6—1, 6—4, 6—1).
WOMEN'S SINGLES.—FINAL ROUND.—Miss Ryan (U.S.A.) beat Signorina L. Valerio (Italy) (6—2, 6—0).
DOUBLES.—FINAL ROUND.—W. T. Tilden and C. H. Kingsley (Great Britain) beat G. L. Rogers (Ireland) and E. Worm (Denmark) (6—1, 6—2, 6—1).
WOMEN'S DOUBLES.—FINAL ROUND.—Mme. S. Jung (France) and Miss J. C. Ridley (England) beat Mrs. Satterthwaite (England) and Miss Ryan (6—2, 7—5).
MIXED DOUBLES.—FINAL ROUND.—W. T. Tilden and Fräulein C. Aussem (Germany) beat C. H. Kingsley and Miss Ryan (6—3, 6—4).—*Sports Reporting Agency.*

GALLIA TOURNAMENT

CANNES, Jan. 28.—Fine weather enabled the Gallia meeting to be begun here to-day. The results were:—

SINGLES.—FIRST ROUND.—J. F. G. Lysaght beat H. Orbrag (6—2, 6—4); A. S. Dabney beat M. F. Elmer (9—7, 6—3); Brame Hillyard beat E. Schybergson (6—4, 6—1).
WOMEN'S SINGLES.—FIRST ROUND.—Miss E. H. Harvey beat Miss V. E. Exley (6—0, 6—4); Mrs. Bramley Moore beat Marquise du Croset (6—1, 6—0); Mlle. C. Saint Omer-Roy beat Miss V. Trudeau (6—1, 6—4). SECOND ROUND.—Mme. V. B. Taunay beat Mrs. D. A. Alston (6—1, 6—1).—*Sports Reporting Agency.*

TILDEN TO PLAY AT WIMBLEDON

It is stated that W. T. Tilden will again compete in the Wimbledon Championships in June. Tilden won the title in 1920 and 1921 and is now 37 years old. Last year he was beaten in the semi-final by H. Cochet in three sets (6—4, 6—1, 7—5).

The annual general meeting of the Lawn Tennis Professionals Association will be held on February 17 at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet-street, E.C.4, at 8.30 p.m.

MOTOR-CYCLE RACING

The Auto-Cycle Union have notified the Isle of Man authorities that they have agreed to Tourist Trophy races being held on June 16 and 20 in the island.

THE F.A. CUP

TO-DAY'S REPLAYED TIES

The four ties in the Fourth Round of the Football Association Cup competition which remain to be replayed will be decided this afternoon. The kick-off in each case will be at 2.30 p.m. The ties are:—

BIRMINGHAM v. THE ARSENAL, at Birmingham.
BRADFORD v. DERBY COUNTY, at Bradford.
CHARLTON ATHLETIC v. MIDDLESBROUGH, at Charlton.
MANCHESTER CITY v. SWINDON, at Manchester.

The Birmingham side is expected to be the same as that which drew at Highbury on Saturday, but The Arsenal will have Lewis back in goal instead of Preedy, and Williams will replace Hulme at outside right. Swindon Town's goalkeeper, Nash, is suffering from an injured thigh, and his place will be taken by Webster. Two changes are likely in the Middlesbrough team, Smith taking Ferguson's place at right back and Elkes coming in at inside right for Carr. Charlton Athletic are playing the side that drew at Middlesbrough.

THE ARMY CUP

The following is the draw for the Fifth Round of the Army Cup:—

1st Battalion, Northumberland Fusiliers v. 2nd Battalion, Leicestershire Regiment.
1st Battalion, Coldstream Guards v. 1st Battalion, Royal Warwickshire Regiment or 5th Battalion, Royal Tank Corps.
1st Battalion, Sherwood Foresters v. 1st Battalion, King's Own Scottish Borderers.
2nd Battalion, Rifle Brigade v. 1st Brigade R.H.A.

SURREY SENIOR CUP

The draw for the second round of the Surrey Senior Cup is as follows:—

Aquarius v. Kingstonian; Woking v. Nunhead; the Casuals v. Tooting Town; Redhill (holders) v. Wimbledon. Ties to be played on Saturday, February 22. Kick-off, 3.30 p.m.

SCHOOL MATCHES

SHREWSBURY WIN EASILY

Shrewsbury beat Brasenose College by eight goals (scored by Snow 2, Fairweather 2, Moxon 2, Barlow, and Foster) to one (scored by Haslewood).

The School forwards were more than a match for the Brasenose defence, the speed and understanding of Snow, Fairweather, and Foster being the feature. They scored six times in the first half, all from good shots. The fourth goal, by Fairweather, was remarkable, the ball being run down from the kick-off without a defender touching it. The School relaxed a little in the second half and their goal was threatened several times, Peters and Haslewood on the visitors' left wing being prominent in several clever movements.

The School team was:—

SHREWSBURY SCHOOL.—F. A. K. Green, goal; R. H. Williamson and D. G. Butterworth, backs; G. H. Sugden, W. S. Preston, and A. M. W. Scott, half-backs; J. F. Snow, E. A. Barlow, A. F. Fairweather, G. R. Moxon, and M. Foster, forwards.

ALDENHAM v. O.WW.

The Old Westminsters, who were the heavier and stronger side, beat Aldenham at Aldenham by seven goals to two.

The Old Westminsters led at half-time by three goals to one, and in the second half they added three more goals before Aldenham could score again, when at last Cocks put the ball into the goal. The visitors then scored another goal almost immediately. Symington (2), Foster (3), Horton, and Gardiner scored for the Old Westminsters. Lonsdale, the Old Westminsters' right half-back, put in some good shots, but never actually scored.

The teams were:—

OLD WESTMINSTERS.—A. Clare, goal; C. D. Brown and J. K. Leward, backs; C. E. Lonsdale, F. Radamacher, and D. E. Ryland, half-backs; K. J. Gardiner, I. W. Symington, E. H. Horton, N. L. Foster, and N. P. Andrews, forwards.
ALDENHAM.—J. S. Follett, goal; P. J. Hardie and D. K. Goodacre, backs; E. C. Gough, M. Lampard, and C. R. Moseland, half-backs; H. J. L. Wright, D. G. Ide, J. A. Cocks, G. D. Spashe, and E. W. Miller, forwards.

OLD REPTONIANS WIN AT HIGHGATE

The Old Reptonians beat Highgate at Highgate by six goals to none.

The visitors led by four goals at the interval, but the School, although without Arditchoglou for the greater part of the second half, did better, and kept the Old Reptonians out for half an hour. Two more goals, however, were scored against them in the last 15 minutes. Buckland and Peck (2 each), Scott, and Frenkel shot the goals.

The teams were:—

HIGHGATE SCHOOL.—E. F. Borrill, goal; H. Lange and E. M. P. Jones, backs; T. E. Arditchoglou, J. P. Bray, and G. A. Brasted, half-backs; A. S. B. Hayles, C. J. Tucker, S. Mahmoud, A. H. Goodwin, and R. J. Griffiths, forwards.
OLD REPTONIANS.—J. Bennett, goal; E. Gaskell and I. P. Rayner, backs; H. V. Earle, B. N. Adams, and E. W. Dennes, half-backs; M. Howell, H. Frenkel, G. O. Peck, J. W. Buckland, and P. R. Scott, forwards.

WESTMINSTER v. LANCING OLD BOYS

The Lancing Old Boys beat Westminster School at Vincent-square by four goals to two. The School were unfortunate in losing Hunter, who was injured towards the end of the first half. Taylor (two), Shaw, and Coley scored for the winners, and Thomson (two) for the School.

The teams were:—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.—G. A. Benson, goal; R. H. Heaton and I. Ivanovic, backs; P. N. Labertouche, E. H. G. Lonsdale, and W. H. D. Wakely, half-backs; C. H. Hunter, J. D. Argyle, M. Broadhurst, I. I. Milne, and H. J. Thomson, forwards.
LANCING OLD BOYS.—A. L. Hilder, goal; G. Dyas and W. F. H. Masters, backs; B. H. S. Davis, W. F. Pearce, and G. W. Shaw, half-backs; L. H. Johnson, R. E. C. Goff, G. R. Taylor, G. A. K. Collins, and G. H. Coley, forwards.

BEDFORD WIN

Bedford, who showed good form in their opening match of the new term, beat the Old Paulines "A" by three tries (9 points) to two tries (6 points).

The visitors soon scored a try through Wilson. The School then pressed, and Edwards broke away from a scrummage to force his way over. The School took the lead just before half-time through a try by Renny. Wilson again scored for the Old Paulines early in the second half, but a fine round of passing by the three-quarter backs of the School gave them the victory, Marks being the scorer, in a fast and close game.

The teams were:—

BEDFORD SCHOOL.—G. H. P. Fowler, back; R. Marks, L. A. Bould, I. S. Panton, and G. R. Nevile, three-quarter backs; C. W. Pearson and R. Rich, half-backs; C. H. A. Thompson, W. E. Suter (captain), O. I. Davies, F. M. Symonds, R. A. C. Renny, Q. D. T. Hogg, J. A. Edwards, and F. S. Rockard, forwards.
OLD PAULINES "A."—R. E. Wise, back; V. Martinson, J. L. Farrell, R. Kelly, and E. A. Wilson, three-quarter backs; R. W. Baily and S. P. Cooper, half-backs; M. H. Van Os, D. G. Hunt, C. D. Doring, F. H. Harvey, T. S. Rider, K. E. Burton, J. P. R. Brydone, and D. Drew, forwards.

Repton beat Brasenose College at Repton yesterday by five goals to none.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE RESULTS

OXFORD

RUGBY

	Pts.		Pts.
Magdalen	6	St. Edmund Hall	5
Jesus II.	35	St. Edmund Hall II.	5

ASSOCIATION

	Goals		Goals
Balliol	6	Lincoln	1

HOCKEY

	Goals		Goals
Corpus	6	St. Catherine's	1
Wadham	1	Graduates	0
Worcester	1	St. Edmund Hall	0
Keble	3	Hertford	1
Magdalen	2	New College	0
Queen's	6	Isis	2
Oriel	3	Pembroke	1
Lincoln II.	7	Keble II.	1

CAMBRIDGE

RUGBY

	Pts.		Pts.
Sidney Sussex	27	Fitzwilliam House	6
Clare II.	13	St. John's II.	8
Magdalene II.	17	Trinity Trojans	3
St. Catharine's III.	27	Emmanuel III.	6

ASSOCIATION

	Goals		Goals
KNOCK OUT			
Sidney Sussex	11	King's	2
LEAGUE DIVISION I.			
St. Catharine's	2	Selwyn	0
DIVISION II.			
Jesus	6	Queens'	1
OTHER MATCHES			
Downing	2	Christ's	0
Emmanuel II.	5	Downing II.	0
St. Catharine's II.	12	Selwyn II.	0
Pembroke III.	2	St. John's II.	2
St. John's III.	6	Trinity III.	0

HOCKEY

	Goals		Goals
KNOCK-OUT DIVISION IV.			
Clare II.	4	Emmanuel III.	2
LEAGUE			
Trinity Hall	3	King's	1
Fitzwilliam House	7	Sidney Sussex	2
Trinity	4	Jesus	3
OTHER MATCHES			
Caius II.	11	Christ's II.	1
Queens' II.	7	St. John's II.	1
Magdalene II.	6	Caius III.	4

BOAT-RACE PRACTICE

THE OXFORD CREW

The Oxford crew had more pleasant weather for their practice yesterday and there was a good attendance at the riverside. The work was of a more strenuous character, as the stream was running with increased force, the river having risen another two inches. Fortunately, however, there was little or no wind. Dr. P. C. Mallam undertook the coaching and was accompanied by Mr. P. Haig Thomas, the old Cambridge oarsman.

The early part of the afternoon was devoted to tubbing, the whole of the crew being taken out in the pair in turn. The Eight was manned at half-past 3, and several changes were made in the order. H. R. A. Edwards, who had rowed successively at No. 6 and No. 4, found a new place and received a trial at No. 5 in succession to N. K. Hutton. The latter moved thence to No. 3. Poole, who had been rowing there, taking Edwards's seat at No. 4. They went up-stream as far as Salter's Barge and, swinging round, pulled through to the Isis at 22 strokes to the minute. On the homeward journey a halt was made near the Free Ferry, whence another piece of paddling was done to the Red Post, when they quickened to 24, and finished up at the Boathouse. After a short interval the boat was manned a second time in the same order. Paddling up to Randall's Bridge they swung round and had another stage of paddling to the Long Bridges. Instead of going through the Gut, however, the boat was put about, and they pulled back to the Boathouse.

The order of rowing and weights were:—

		St	lb
	D. E. Tinne (Eton and University College) (bow)	12	5
2.	R. V. Low (Winchester and University College)	12	4
3.	N. K. Hutton (Fettes and University College)	12	7½
4.	R. A. J. Poole (Eton and Brasenose)	12	12
5.	H. R. A. Edwards (Westminster and Christ Church)	12	10½
6.	L. Clive (Eton and Christ Church)	12	13½
7.	A. Graham (Eton and Brasenose)	11	3
	C. M. Johnston (Shrewsbury and Brasenose) (stroke)	12	5
	H. A. C. Durbridge (Malvern and University) (cox)	9	0

CAMBRIDGE CREW FILMED

The Cambridge crew had a pictorial record of their work made yesterday, when a Movietone film was being taken while the eight was being launched. In order to obtain a better picture, the eight was launched bows upstream, and the greater part of the film was taken while the crew were paddling past the Goldie Boathouse on their way downstream, the boat having been turned at Victoria Bridge.

Mr. Holcroft gave tub-pair instruction to the oarsmen during the early part of the afternoon, and the work in the eight consisted of a fair amount of work at a rowing stroke, the longest piece being from Ditton to the railway bridge, on the way back. Rowing in a flat calm against a fairly strong stream this distance was covered in 2min. 42sec., Brocklebank starting at 25, afterwards dropping to 23.

The order of rowing and the weights were:—

		St	lb
	D. Haig-Thomas (Eton and Lady Margaret) (bow)	11	6
2.	H. R. N. Rickett (Eton and Third Trinity)	11	2
3.	A. S. Reeve (Brighton and Selwyn)	11	10
4.	E. N. Carpmael (Oundle and Jesus)	12	7
5.	C. V. Bevan (Bedford and Lady Margaret)	12	11
6.	M. H. Warriner (Harrow and First Trinity)	14	1½
7.	R. H. H. Symonds (Bedford and Lady Margaret)	11	12
	T. A. Brocklebank (Eton and Third Trinity) (stroke)	11	8
	R. E. Swartwout (Middlesex, U.S.A., and First Trinity) (cox)	7	6

FENCING

JUNIOR SABRE COMPETITION

The first two preliminary pools in the Junior Sabre competition were divided at Bertrand's Fencing Academy yesterday, three of the six fencers in each pool qualifying for the second round pools which will be fought next week.

This event corresponds to the Doyne Memorial Cup competition with the foil, being confined to those fencers of British nationality who have never reached the final pool of the Sabre championship, nor have represented Great Britain in an international match with that weapon. Thirty-six entries were received this year, and six preliminary pools will be fought. There will be three second round pools, two semi-final pools, and one final pool, which will be held on February 7.

For a junior competition, the sabre play last night was very sound especially in Pool 1, which was headed by J. Smallwood from the Nautical College, Pangbourne, who has a very nice style and should go far in the competition. He lost one fight only, to the veteran A. Fellows, whose unorthodox and frequent use of the point as opposed to the edge of the weapon kept his opponents guessing. Though he failed to qualify, Fellows defeated the two best *sabreurs* in the pool, Smallwood and A. H. Jeffreys. One noticeable fault in this pool was the tendency of the fencers to get too close to one another. Frequently the leg was advanced too far in the lunge so that the attack had to be made with a bent arm if it was to be effective. The two best fencers in Pool 2 were T. P. Saunders and P. G. Wardle, who, when they met in the last fight of the day, had each been beaten once only, Saunders by W. W. Pulford and Wardle by G. Haynes. In this result Saunders gained three hits quickly and, after losing one, and some indeterminate exchanges, gained the deciding hit with a very good point attack.

The results were:—

POOL 1.—J. Smallwood, one defeat, A. H. Jeffreys and A. J. Harby, two each, qualified for second round; K. J. Wilson and A. Fellows, three each, and I. de B. Ferguson, four, failed to qualify.
POOL 2.—T. P. Saunders, one defeat, D. H. Irish and P. G. Wardle, two each, qualified for the second round; R. G. Clark and W. W. Pulford, three each, and G. Haynes, four, failed to qualify.

The draw for the remaining pools, of which Nos. 3 and 4 will be fought to-night and Nos. 5 and 6 on February 3, is:—

POOL 3.—R. D. S. Anderson (Sabre Club and Masks), G. T. S. Chatterton (L.F.C.), J. G. R. Clarke (St. Thomas's Hospital F.C.), W. A. Evill (Sabre Club and Bertrand's), C. S. Humpherston (Bedford House), G. J. Silk (Wm. Black Institute).
POOL 4.—R. C. Dicker (Inns of Court and Masks), C. E. Heys-Hallett (Bertrand's), R. W. Musson (Wm. Black Institute), R. Ratman (Polytechnic), W. Rippon (Masks), K. G. Vandyck (R.A.F.).
POOL 5.—M. L. Banks (Bedford House), C. H. Bird (Birmingham F.C.), B. P. Cazaly (Lensbury), W. A. Goddard (Masks), P. C. Hiscocks (Q.W. and C.S. Rifles), B. J. Jones (R.N.V.R.).
POOL 6.—G. W. Dodman (Polytechnic), J. W. Falconer (R.N.V.R.), the Hon. W. S. Leveson-Gower (Sabre Club), S. F. Smith (St. Thomas's and London University F.C.), C. T. Wellington (Lensbury), S. W. Wright (Guy's).

RUGBY FOOTBALL

MAGNANOU'S INJURY

PARIS, Jan. 28.—Magnanou, the French stand-off half-back, who was injured a few minutes before the end of the match with Ireland at Belfast on Saturday last, is likely to be laid up for some time. He has torn a shoulder muscle, and, in addition, he is still suffering from the effects of an injury he previously sustained in the match against Scotland on New Year's Day.—*Reuter.*

THE TOUR IN NEW ZEALAND

W. W. Wakefield, the famous English captain, has decided to accept the invitation to be one of the team to tour in New Zealand and Australia this summer, and it is stated that he will captain the side.

EAST MIDLANDS TEAM

The following fifteen has been chosen to represent East Midlands against Lancashire in the semi-final of the Rugby County Championship at Manchester on Saturday next:—

R. Vaughan (Northampton), back; A. R. Alston (Bedford), N. F. Reed (Bedford), R. C. Brumwell (Bedford), and L. G. Ashwell (Bedford), three-quarter backs; T. E. H. Williams (Bedford) and J. Millward (Northampton), half-backs; R. Webb (Northampton), R. J. Longland (Northampton), T. Harris (Northampton), W. H. Weston (Northampton), E. Coley (Northampton), A. D. Matthews (Northampton), A. S. Roncoroni (West Herts), and R. T. Perkins (Bedford), forwards.

Pontypool beat St. Mary's Hospital at North Wembley on Monday by one try (3 points) to nothing.

TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL MATCHES

ASSOCIATION RULES

F.A. CUP.—FOURTH ROUND REPLAYS (2.30 P.M.)
CHARLTON.—Charlton Athletic v. Middlesbrough.
BIRMINGHAM.—Birmingham v. Arsenal.
BRADFORD.—Bradford v. Derby County.
MANCHESTER.—Manchester City v. Swindon Town.

SCHOOL MATCHES

Aldenham School v. Highgate School; Bradfield College v. Pembroke, Cambridge; Charterhouse School v. Casuals (mid-week).

RUGBY UNION RULES

GREENWICH.—Royal Naval College v. United Services (Portsmouth).
BRISTOL.—Bristol v. Oxford University (3.0).

SCHOOL MATCHES

Birkenhead School v. Liverpool University (away); Blundell's School v. Bristol University "A" (away); Brockley School v. Haberdashers' School; Colchester School v. Woodbridge School; Emanuel School v. Eltham College; Newton College v. Mr. P. T. Hodge's XV.; St. Edward's School v. Trinity, Oxford; St. John's, Leatherhead v. University College School; Stamford School v. Wittering R.A.F.; Tiffin School v. Wimbledon College; Watford Grammar School v. St. George's, Harpenden.

SQUASH RACKETS

THE BATH CLUB CUP

The Royal Air Force Club beat the Cavendish Club in the First Division of the Inter-Club Squash Rackets Tournament in the Royal Air Force courts yesterday by three matches to none.

The Royal Air Force Club are, for the moment, at the head of the table with 12 points, the R.A.C. having gained 11 points and Queen's Club 10 points. Both the R.A.C. and Queen's Club, however, have a match in hand. G. S. Incledon-Webber played his first match for the Cavendish Club this season, and he will materially strengthen the side when he gets into full practice. He was obviously short of hard practice yesterday, and the R.A.F. court is not at all an easy one to any player who has not played there frequently. He was beaten by C. L. Stubbs, who was taking the place of J. S. Heagerty, the regular second string for the R.A.F. Stubbs is good enough to enter for the Amateur Championship and has done so. The decisive win of the R.A.F. makes the outlook for the Bath Club and the Conservative Club somewhat gloomy; one of these three clubs is almost certain to be relegated to the Second Division at the end of the season. That the Cavendish will be one of the two clubs to go down is now almost certain, even if both P. de L. Casenove and G. S. Incledon-Webber both play regularly and both regain their form of 1928.

P. Q. Reiss (R.A.F.) beat G. D'O. Sheppard (Cavendish Club) by three games to none (9—4, 9—2, 9—3). Sheppard scored two aces in his first hand, playing one clever straight drop, but Reiss put him out and made a sequence of six aces, playing brilliantly. After four blank hands, Sheppard put on two more points, but Reiss got in again and won the game in his next hand. In the second game Reiss went from 2—2 to game with a sequence of seven aces, varying his game with a clever mixture of very hard, low strokes, side wall and angle drops. Reiss made another sequence of five aces early in the third game, making three points by service. Some of the rallies were long, and Sheppard, though outplayed, was not quite outclassed.

C. L. Stubbs (R.A.F.) beat G. S. Incledon-Webber (Cavendish Club) by three games to none (9—3, 9—0, 9—7). Stubbs made runs of three and two aces in his first two hands, and led 5—0. Incledon-Webber pulled up to 3—5, but Stubbs made a single ace, and four hands later went to game, the final point being scored by service. Stubbs made a sequence of five aces in the second game, his opponent being erratic, but then served his hand out. Incledon-Webber put himself out by hitting an easy ball down, and Stubbs won the game. Stubbs was 4—0 in the third game, but Incledon-Webber then found something of his best form, and after several good rallies led 7—4. Stubbs put him out, Incledon-Webber again played wildly, and Stubbs went to game with a sequence of five aces. Incledon-Webber volleying the last service hurriedly below the board.

H. Coverdale (R.A.F.) beat D. G. McIntyre (Cavendish Club) by three games to one (9—4, 9—4, 3—9, 9—2). Coverdale was steady in the first two games, and McIntyre found the pace of the floor difficult. In the third game McIntyre played very much better, and, without making any long run, went steadily ahead from 2—2 to lead 6—2, and win at 9—3. In the final game Coverdale went all out after the score had been called 2—2, and won the game with an unfinished sequence of seven aces.

THE SECOND DIVISION

In the Second Division the Army and Navy Club beat the M.C.C. at Lord's by two matches to one. This was an unexpected result, and may prove most important.

The results were:—

Captain T. H. Sweeney (Army and Navy Club) beat T. A. Pilkington (M.C.C.) by three games to none (9—5, 9—5, 9—6).
Captain T. A. Bradford (Army and Navy Club) beat C. G. W. Robson (M.C.C.) by three games to one (7—9, 10—8, 9—3, 9—4).
Major C. T. Beckett (Army and Navy Club) lost to Captain L. F. Hancock (M.C.C.) by three games to one (9—4, 6—9, 7—9, 6—9).

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS' HANDICAP

An invitation squash rackets handicap for young professionals will be begun at the Guards' Club on February 4 and finished on February 13. The invitations have been restricted to young professionals employed by London clubs. C. R. Read, the Professional Champion (Queen's Club), "Oke" Johnson (R.A.C.), C. Arnold (Bath Club), and D. Butcher (Conservative Club), all of whom would be handicapped to give any of those playing in the tournament at least half the game, are considered too experienced and too good to meet the young professionals in competition. The Guards' Club courts are standard, as are the courts from which most of the players have entered. The only really good young London player of whom one knows who is not competing is W. Dear, of Queen's Club. The back-markers are J. Vere (Guards' Club) and J. Dear (Prince's Club), both of whom owe 5.

The draw is:—

FIRST ROUND.—T. Pearce (Roehampton), scratch v. N. Willcox (Bath Club), receives 3; F. Ashford (Badminton), receives 2 v. C. Holman (Grosvenor House), receives 1; M. Johnson (Union Club), receives 4 v. J. Dear (Prince's Club), owes 5; J. Vere (Guards' Club), owes 5, A. Biddle (Junior Carlton Club), receives 3, byes. H. Killingback (M.C.C.), receives 1 v. J. Cheshire (Army and Navy Club), receives 4; S. Harrold (Cavendish Club), receives 3 v. A. Cooper (Queen's Club), owes 3.

Matches will be played at 2 p.m. and 2.45 p.m. on February 4, 5, 6, 11, 12. The final will be at 2.30 on February 13.

TOBOGGANING

THE CURZON CUP

ST. MORITZ, Jan. 28.—Twenty-one riders to-day competed in the first day's competition for the Curzon Cup, for which eight qualified and will compete to-morrow over three courses.

The best aggregate times were:—

T. Heaton, 2min. 19 1-5sec.; J. R. Heaton, 2min. 19 3-10sec.; R. Hawkes, 2min. 20sec.; H. Martineau, 2min. 20 1-5sec.; H. Giles, 2min. 20½sec.; Sir John Forbes, 2min. 21 2-5sec.; H. Martin, 2min. 21½sec.; Lord Grimthorpe, 2min. 22½sec.

Among the riders who failed to qualify were Colonel J. T. C. Moore Brabazon, Captain Edwards, Colonel Hotblack, and Captain Hogg.—*Reuter.*

RUGBY FIVES

Thirty-two pairs have entered for the Rugby Fives Cyriax Cup Competition, and the draw is as follows:—

Alleyn Old Boys B v. Old Sinjuns A; Old Sinjuns D v. Old Alleynians C; Old Merchant Taylors B v. Bandits; University College, London B v. St. John's Hall; Old Alleynians B v. Old Sinjuns B; University College, London A v. University College School Old Boys B; University College School Old Boys A v. Old Sinjuns C; Nomads v. Alleyn Old Boys A; Old Blues C v. St. Mark and St. John A; Alleyn Old Boys D v. Old Blues A; Jesters B v. Clove Club; Old Alleynians A v. Old Merchant Taylors A; Old Paulines B v. Jesters A; Old Blues B v. Alleyn Old Boys C; Spiders v. St. Mark and St. John B; Cambridge University v. Old Paulines A.

The Old Blues (K. W. Millage, C. R. Black, S. Bloomfield and H. E. Glassborow) beat the Old Merchant Taylors' (W. D. Heck, H. D. Heck, S. M. Noakes and A. W. Fisher), in a Rugby fives match at Charterhouse-square, yesterday, by 158 points to 113.

CANADIAN EMPIRE GAMES

SYDNEY, Jan. 28.—The Canadian Empire Games Committee has cabled to the Australian Amateur Athletic Union offering to contribute £1,000 towards the expenses of sending an Australian team to compete in the Empire Games at Hamilton (Ontario) in August.—*Reuter.*

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BILLIARDS

McCONACHY V. NEWMAN

The fortnight's match played by time between McConachy and Newman was continued yesterday at the Holborn Billiard Hall, Hyde-street, New Oxford-street. In the afternoon McConachy again outpointed his opponent, and increased his lead to 594, scoring 1,035 for an average of 103, while Newman, who gave a splendid display of nursery cannon play, made 776 for an average of 77.

McConachy was in play with an unfinished break of 97, but he failed to add to this, missing what appeared to be a straightforward ball-to-ball cannon. The position left was a favourable one, and Newman, playing the top-of-the-table game, varied by periods of accurate hazard striking, made a break of 136 before he missed a simple long loser from balk. Newman's second innings produced only two points for a difficult cannon, but some good and consistent play followed, when McConachy in successive innings made breaks of 50, 138, and 197, which Newman answered with equally good breaks of 45, 280, and 140. The method of scoring employed during these breaks formed a striking contrast, McConachy depending chiefly on all-round methods, while Newman in his biggest break had runs of 70 and 31 close cannons. After Newman had made a break of 140, which included a run of 55 nursery cannons, McConachy scored 115 before he missed a positional drop cannon. A little later McConachy was in his best form when making a run of 432, his first awkward stroke coming at 273, when a screw-back cannon got him out of a difficult position. Later he had a short period of play from balk, but when well set under the top cushion he miscued in attempting a winner. Both men afterwards missed good scoring chances, the best breaks being 89 by McConachy and 70 from Newman.

The scores at the interval were:—McConachy (in play), 2,944; Newman, 2,350.

McConachy increased his lead in the evening to 982, scoring 1,122 for an average of 102, while Newman made 734 for an average of 67. Although McConachy did not make much progress at his first two visits, he played well afterwards. The New Zealand champion showed clearly that he can play the top-of-the-table game as well as any of the English professionals. He has made a number of big breaks during his present tour, and in the course of a run of 453 he controlled the balls with sound judgment until he missed a little cushion cannon. Before he made this break McConachy had added runs of 176 and 44, while Newman had shown good form also in runs of 74 and 146. At his fifth visit Newman was playing very well at the top of the table when, with the break amounting to 122, he appeared to be rather surprised at the decision of the referee that no cannon had been made.

In a break of 208 which he made two visits later, Newman played the close-range phases of the game very delicately, making two runs of 38 cannons, and he was a little unlucky in the end when he failed to make a run-through cannon owing to a slight misjudgment in the strength of the stroke. McConachy was playing well, and he added a break of 112 before he missed a little cannon. Newman failed to score, and McConachy secured a lead of four figures with a break of 169. Newman potted the white, leaving a double balk, and although he did not profit immediately, he played very nicely two visits later in a break of 104. McConachy then played out time with a break of 74 (unfinished).

The closing scores were:—McConachy (in play), 4,066; Newman, 3,084.

LINDRUM SCORES ANOTHER THOUSAND

Lindrum scored yet another thousand break in yesterday afternoon's session of his match at Manchester with Smith, and for the first-half of the day's play he had a total of 1,486 for an average of 371, while Smith scored 502 for an average of 125.

After Smith had made a small break into 272, Lindrum's big innings came. The run of 1,303 took him 68 minutes, which was rather slower than Lindrum's normal rate of scoring. In 56 minutes he passed the thousand, but the interval between 1,100 and 1,300 he covered in seven minutes. The break was mainly at the top of the table, and there were runs of 43, 38, and 64 nursery cannons, the last one after he had passed the thousand. In the end, a screw-back cannon defeated him, and the only other notable item in the scoring was 170 (unfinished) by Smith.

At the interval the scores were:—Lindrum, 4,774; Smith (in play), 1,676.

The closing scores were:—Lindrum, 5,897; Smith (in play), 2,652.

DAVIS V. FALKINER

Davis made considerable impression on the 3,000 start he conceded to Falkiner, in their match at Thurston's Hall, yesterday. At the end of the first of yesterday's sessions the champion was only 438 points behind, having scored 1,590 against 495. The play was notable for breaks of 892 (full) and 530 by Davis. The former ended when the champion missed a deep screw loser after losing the object white. Included in the run of 530 were sequences of 33, 36, and 50 close cannons. Falkiner also played well while making 368, and he had 165 close cannons in it. The other breaks were 140, 99, and 125 (unfinished), by Davis, and 42 by Falkiner. Davis averaged 227, and his opponent 70.

At the interval the scores were:—Falkiner (receives 3,000), 4,539; Davis (in play), 4,191.

The closing scores were:—Falkiner (in play), 5,686; Davis, 5,162.

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

The final heat of 2,000 points up in the London qualifying section of the Amateur Championship was continued at Thurston's Hall in Leicester-square yesterday, when S. Lee was leading Stephen Walter by 429. Lee had all the better of the play again, scoring 499 for an average of 21, while Walter made 200 for an average of 8½.

Lee was not quite so consistent as he had been in the first session of the game, but at times he played very well indeed, while Walter played below his form. Lee added only five points to a run of 81 (unfinished), but at his second visit he made a very good break of 100, at the end of which he missed a red winner. Walter had a number of good openings, but his chief runs for a long time were 20 and 21, and in the meantime Lee placed himself in a very strong position with breaks of 84 and 53. Lee, who won the London Championship last year and was not beaten until the final heat of the competition proper, has learned the game thoroughly well. He continued to make fairly good progress with runs of 22, 29, 21 and 31, while his opponent's highest breaks were 24 and 14. Lee gave a capital illustration of his all-round ability by playing well at the top of the table, but it was in an endeavour to retain position that he missed a red winner when he had scored 82. After his opponent had added a run of 25, Lee made a break of 18 and then reached his points, leading by 728.

The closing scores were:—S. Lee (in play), 1,000; Stephen Walter, 272.

In the second round of the Stock Exchange handicap at Simpson's, Cheapside, yesterday, W. H. L. Goolden (owes 200) beat G. W. Bethell (receives 50) by 55 points. The winner rapidly overtook his opponent and made runs of 37, 42, 26, 27 and 29 in an excellent display.

TWO NEW SAILING CLUBS

It has been decided to form a sailing club with headquarters at Bury Lake, Rickmansworth, Herts. The club has adopted the 14ft. dinghy class as the club class. These craft are to be restricted to a cost of £65 each without buoyancy tanks; and they will be clench-built, having a sail area of 140 square feet, rigged as gunter lugs and jibs on hollow bamboo spars. Yachtsmen interested are asked to apply to Mr. A. C. La Riviere, Riverside-avenue, Broxbourne, Herts, who has been elected rear-commodore of the club.

A sailing club has been formed at King's College, London University. The club will be affiliated to the Erith Yacht Club, whose headquarters are about 18 miles below London Bridge. It is not yet decided what class of vessel should be adopted as the club class.

The Welsh Junior Cross-country Championship was decided over about five miles in the vicinity of Caerleon racecourse, Newport (Mon.), on Saturday, and was won by the Newport Harriers with a total of 87 points, Roath (Cardiff) H. being second with 151, and Splott Y.M.C.A. third, with 162. T. Timbrell (Swansea Valley H.) finished first in 31min. 4sec., T. Burge (Roath H.), 34min. 4sec., being beaten by only about 10 yards.

CRICKET

THE SHEFFIELD SHIELD

SYDNEY, Jan. 28.—With three days lost on account of rain the important Sheffield Shield match between New South Wales and Victoria has been reduced to one day and 2½ hours of play. To-day Ryder's attempt to give New South Wales the worst of a drying wicket was hardly a success, as after scoring 330, New South Wales got two of Victoria's wickets for 45 runs, one of these being Ponsford, who was caught at the wicket for 13.

From the selector's point of view the match was almost barren of information, as Bradman, who made 77, is a foregone conclusion, and Allsopp, who made the next highest score, 65, is not expected to be considered. Kippax's failure will not affect his selection, which is also almost a certainty, but McCabe and Fairfax certainly improved their chances. One of the most interesting points was the comparison of Victoria's two fast bowlers, Ironmonger and Alexander, and on results alone Ironmonger would seem to have won more favourable consideration. He took three for 100, whereas Alexander took only one for 79. Blackie and A'Beckett, both strong possibilities, were tried, A'Beckett taking two for 57, but his fielding was also a prominent feature. Blackie turned the ball well, but only took one for 69.

Score:—

NEW SOUTH WALES.—First Innings

A. Jackson, b. a'Beckett	5
C. Andrews, b. Alexander	12
D. Bradman, c. R. Ellis, b. Ironmonger	77
A. Kippax, b. Ironmonger	9
S. McCabe, c. Blackie, b. a'Beckett	29
A. Allsopp, l.-b.-w., b. Blackie	65
A. Fairfax, c. J. Ellis, b. Hendry	64
H. Chilvers, c. J. Ellis, b. Ironmonger	0
H. L. Davidson, b. Hendry	22
H. Hooker, c. Hendry, b. Ryder	30
L. Theak, not out	2
Byes, &c.	15
Total	330

VICTORIA.—First Innings

W. H. Ponsford, c. Davidson, b. Theak	13
R. Ellis, b. Fairfax	0
H. L. Hendry, not out	21
J. Ryder, not out	10
Byes, &c.	1
Total (2 wkts.)	45

BOWLING ANALYSIS

NEW SOUTH WALES.—First Innings

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Alexander	14	0	79	1	Blackie	11	0	69	1
a'Beckett	21	2	57	2	Hendry	2·1	0	4	2
Ironmonger	20	0	100	3	Ryder	1	0	6	1

—Reuter.

TRINIDAD V. M.C.C.

PORT OF SPAIN, Jan. 28.—Trinidad was unable to improve on the M.C.C.'s poor total of 142 in their first innings to-day, and were all out at luncheon for 108.

Score:—

M.C.C.

First Innings		Second Innings	
Gunn, c. Constantine, b. Achong	8	b. Small	11
Sandham, c. Constantine, b. Sealey	24	c. and b. Grell	27
G. T. S. Stevens, b. Sealey	7	not out	1
Hendren, c. Constantine, b. Achong	30	c. Achong, b. Grell	12
O'Connor, b. Merry	27	c. Constantine, b. Merry	30
Ames, c. and b. Yeates	10		
Townsend, c. Small, b. Sealey	20	c. Achong, b. Sealey	1
Astill, c. and b. Sealey	3		
The Hon. F. S. G. Calthorpe, c. Small, b. Achong	10		
Voce, c. Christian, b. Achong	0		
Captain R. T. Stanyforth, not out	1		
Extras	2	Extras	7
Total	142	Total (5 wkts.)	89

TRINIDAD.—First Innings.

C. A. Roach, c. O'Connor, b. Stevens	9
M. Christian, c. Hendren, b. Stevens	5
C. A. Wiles, b. Stevens	5
— Merry, l.-b.-w., b. Voce	30
J. Small, c. O'Connor, b. Voce	8
B. J. Sealey, c. Stevens, b. Voce	8
— Grell, b. Townsend	0
L. E. Constantine, l.-b.-w., b. Voce	10
W. J. Dewhurst, run out	0
W. Yeates, st. Stanyforth, b. Voce	10
— Achong, not out	12
Extras	11
Total	108

BOWLING ANALYSIS

M.C.C.—FIRST INNINGS.—Sealey, 4 for 13; Achong, 4 for 53; Merry, 1 for 4; Yeates, 1 for 39.

TRINIDAD.—FIRST INNINGS.—Voce, 5 for 50; Calthorpe, 0 for 9; Stevens, 3 for 38.—Reuter.

GOLF

MATCH AT NEW ZEALAND

The Household Brigade Golfing Society and the Buffs Golfing Society played a halved match by Singles and Foursomes at New Zealand, each side winning five games.

The results were:—

SINGLES

HOUSEHOLD BRIGADE G.S.		THE BUFFS G.S.	
Captain A. R. Pym	0	Major G. Le Roy Burnham (1 hole)	1
Major Lord Tennyson (1 hole)	1	Captain J. Longbourne	0
C. T. Swift	0	R. Tapsfield (1 hole)	1
The Hon. T. W. Coke (2 holes)	1	W. Lamarque	0
Major E. R. M. Fryer	0	C. E. F. Terry (3 and 2)	1
Captain G. F. R. Hirst (4 and 3)	1	J. E. King	0
Captain Sir A. Mildmay (2 holes)	1	C. Haggard	0
Captain I. Rose (4 and 2)	1	A. G. Mackenzie-Kennedy	0
Total	5	Total	3

FOURSOMES

Pym and Coke	0	Burnham and Longbourne (2 and 1)	1
Tennyson and Hirst	0	Tapsfield and Lamarque (2 holes)	1
Swift and Fryer (halved)	0	Terry and Colonel J. Harvey (halved)	0
Rose and Mildmay (halved)	0	King and Haggard (halved)	0
Total	0	Total	2

R.N. AND R.M. GOLFING SOCIETY

The annual spring meeting of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines Golfing Society will be held at the Berkshire Golf Club, beginning on Tuesday, April 8.

On the second day of the meeting the R.N. and R.M. Golf Championship will be played, as well as matches for the handicap challenge cup and gold medal, the three events taking place concurrently. The knock-out competition under handicap will be played on April 8, 10, and 11. Vice-Admiral A. V. Campbell, C.B., D.S.O., M.V.O., the president of the society, has presented a prize for the winner of Section 1 (players of 10 handicap and below); and the society will award a prize to the winner of Section 2 (players of 11 handicap and above).

Members wishing to compete at the meeting are requested to send their entries to the hon. secretary, if possible, before March 20.

BIRMINGHAM ALLIANCE

Forty-seven clubs were represented at the fourth of the season's meetings promoted by the Birmingham Golf Alliance, which was held at Castle Bromwich yesterday, when a 27 holes four-ball competition was played. Leamington Spa (B. E. Hobley and Mr. F. W. Needham, 10), with a return of 69+34=103, won by three strokes from Tamworth, for whom two amateurs, Mr. J. Rix (12) and Mr. R. W. Woods (7) played. There was a tie among five clubs for third place, Walmley, Copt Heath, Olton, Stourbridge, and Sutton Coldfield each aggregating 107.

The leaders on the aggregate of the four competitions are Stourbridge, 469½; Harborne, 474½; and Brand Hall, 476½.

ROYAL MID-SURREY CAPTAIN

At the annual general meeting of the Royal Mid-Surrey Golf Club, held in the club-house on Saturday, Mr. E. H. Jones was elected captain in succession to Sir Laming Worthington-Evans.

G. A. Hill (scratch) won the Sandy Lodge Club's competition for the United States Navy Cup recently, when he beat E. J. B. Lloyd (16) in the 36 holes final by nine and eight after gaining a lead of five holes during the morning round. The trophy was given to the club soon after the War by officers of the United States Navy.

A GOLFING GUIDE

The Southern Railway Company has issued a new edition of "Golfing in Southern England and on the Continent," which can be obtained free at any Southern Railway station and tourist office. The book contains a short description of most of the courses which can be reached by the Southern Railway services, as far apart as Bude and Biskra, and these are accompanied by photographs which in the majority of cases give a fair idea of the nature of the courses described. But it seems unfortunate in so excellent a publication that a view over the big bunker at the 18th hole at Royal St. George's should be labelled "Prince's Golf Club, Sandwich," and members of the Royal Cinque Ports Club will hardly care to see their esteemed "Sandy Parlour" described as belonging to their neighbours of Royal St. George's. The book is further embellished with a map of the Southern system and contains all the information prospective travellers can need as to fares, services to the Continent, and so forth.

The Thames is running down and clearing, and anglers are meeting with satisfactory results. Fish are biting more freely, and some nice baskets of roach, dace, perch, and chub have been made. Pike fishing should be marked by sport when the current is less swift.

DEATH OF L. MEREDITH

A FAMOUS CYCLIST

Mr. Leon Meredith, who died suddenly of heart failure on Monday afternoon while spending his annual winter holiday at Davos, was the most celebrated and versatile racing cyclist of the present century, and won the amateur championship of the world seven times.

He was born in 1882, and began cycling in 1901. A trial run with a club showed him to be possessed of exceptional physical gifts, and in 1902 he won his first race at Kensal Rise, as a member of the Paddington Cycling Club. Later in the same year, after a number of successes, he entered for the English 50-mile championship at Crystal Palace, and won it. In 1903 he won the English 25-mile championship and many other important events, but the race which brought him international fame was the 100-kilometre amateur motor-paced championship of the world, which was held at the Crystal Palace in September, 1904. Despite a bad fall, which resulted in severe injuries, near the end of the race, he won by three kilometres. He repeated this victory in 1905 at Antwerp, in 1907 at Paris, in 1908 at Leipzig, in 1909 at Copenhagen, in 1911 at Rome, and in 1913 at Berlin. During this period he won the following English championships:—1904, 5-mile and 50-mile; 1905, 5-mile; 1907, 50-mile; 1908, 25-mile. He also won outright a number of important and valuable trophies, such as the Dibble Shield, Carwardine Cup, and Alexander Clark Shield.

Meredith's successes extended from one mile (in the London championship) to six hours, and embraced sprinting, tandem-paced and motor-paced riding, and long-distance unpaced work. Such versatility was rare enough, but his ability as a road rider made it even more exceptional. In 1905 he finished fastest in the Bath Road "100," the principal 100-mile trial of the season, but a technicality deprived him of the prize. In 1912 he was an English representative in the Olympic road race at Lake Malar, Sweden, and finished fourth after several falls. In 1920 he again competed in the Bath Road "100," and won easily, after puncturing, in record time for road competition. Two years later he secured the English 50-mile road record in 2hr. 32sec., which stood until 1928. He supplemented this with the 100-mile record in 1924, covering the distance in 4hr. 35min. 16sec.

Meredith always had difficulty in keeping his weight down without prodigious work, and he gave up the attempt in 1925, since when the Union Cycliste International have usually paid him the compliment of an appointment as judge at the world's championships. He also acted as an English delegate at the Union congresses, and was due to bring forward an important resolution at the Paris congress next Saturday. In 1912 he acquired the patent rights of a specially-wound type of cycle racing tire, and established the Constrictor Tyre Company, at Forest Gate, which now carries on a large business in light tires and other fittings for racing cyclists. Previously he had built a roller-skating rink at Cricklewood. After the War he built the Cricklewood Dance Hall. In 1913 he married Miss Cissie Pinkham, daughter of Mr. (now Sir) Charles Pinkham, J.P., chairman of the Middlesex County Council, and M.P. for West Willesden from 1924 to 1929.

HOCKEY

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THIS AFTERNOON

There is a very mixed hockey programme arranged for this afternoon, and the chief interest lies in the Services and University teams engaged.

The Royal Air Force, who have been showing such fine form this season, are due to visit Oxford University. Oxford's forward line does not seem to have got well together this term, and they have not done well against the defences they have met. They will have a stiff test to-day, and the game will also provide the R.A.F. forwards with a good trial, as Oxford's defence are capable of excellent play if they will abandon some of the wild hitting which has characterized a few of their games. Cambridge University will visit Tulse Hill for their return match, Cambridge having won by three goals to one last term.

Essex, one of the best county sides in the South, will enable the Royal Navy and Royal Marines to test their powers in readiness for their part in the inter-Service games, but the county is likely to win to-day's match. H. E. Haslam continues to play in goal, and it will be a remarkable thing if he gains a place in the final English trials. His form, since P. A. Newman sustained his injury, has been excellent, and the Essex defence is exceptionally good. Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire, Middlesex and Kent are concerned in the day's chief inter-county matches. Oxfordshire, who will probably depend on the Isis club for their team, are due to meet Aldershot Command.

Surrey and Essex will meet in a women's match at Merton Abbey.

THE BACCHANALIANS WIN

The Bacchanalians beat Oxford University Occasionals by two goals to one after a fast game at Bilton Grange, near Rugby, yesterday, all the scoring taking place in the first half.

B. W. Quaife, who led the Bacchanalians' attack, scored after two minutes' play, following a nice combined movement, but the Occasionals equalized 20 minutes later from a corner hit. Near the interval the Bacchanalians attacked, and E. H. King scored what proved to be the winning goal. G. S. Gee was in fine form at full back for the Occasionals, and H. Fullerton made many splendid saves in the Bacchanalians' goal.

The teams were:—

BACCHANALIANS.—H. Fullerton, goal; M. R. D. Dickinson and W. T. Waymouth, backs; P. C. Petrie, H. C. A. Gaunt, and R. G. Willcock, half-backs; C. D. Terry (captain), E. H. King, B. W. Quaife, R. Black, and R. Howl, forward.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY OCCASIONALS.—G. S. Gwatkin, goal; G. S. Gee and J. C. E. Tuard, backs; J. M. Monkhouse, J. K. Waydelin, and A. T. Barber, half-backs; H. W. F. Franklin, A. Ker, J. C. Masterman (captain), J. S. M. Paul, and C. Ker, forwards.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES

PORTSMOUTH.—Royal Navy and Royal Marines v. Essex.
BROOKLANDS.—Cheshire v. Derbyshire.
LUTON.—Bedfordshire v. Hertfordshire.
OSTERLEY PARK.—Middlesex v. Kent.
ALDERSHOT.—Aldershot Command v. Oxfordshire.
OXFORD.—Oxford University v. Royal Air Force.
KENT HOUSE.—Tulse Hill v. Cambridge University.
BRISTOL.—Bristol University v. Cardiff.
READING.—Reading University v. Imperial College.
WEETWOOD (LEEDS).—Leeds University v. Manchester University.
OXFORD.—Balliol v. Oxford University Occasionals.
CHISWICK.—St. Thomas's Hospital v. Epsom.
WOOLWICH.—Woolwich Garrison v. R.N.C. (Greenwich).
CAMBERLEY.—Staff College v. Magdalen College (Oxford).
PERIVALE.—University College Hospital v. R.N. (Chatham).
PERIVALE.—University College v. Metropolitan Police.

WOMEN'S MATCH

MERTON ABBEY.—Surrey v. Essex.

TEAMS FOR TO-DAY

MIDDLESEX v. KENT at Osterley Park. Bully-off, 2.30 p.m.

MIDDLESEX.—W. P. Phillips (Hampstead), goal; R. Scott Freeman (Staines) and H. M. Chappel (Hampstead), backs; C. A. Sutcliffe (Southgate), J. W. H. Tyrrell (Southgate), and R. L. Milstead (Hampstead), half-backs; T. K. Brown (Richmond and Kingston Hill), R. W. Tydd Chapman (Teddington), J. H. Wennacott (Westminster Bank), D. L. Utting (Mid-Surrey), and R. T. Read (Teddington), forwards.

KENT.—S. F. Thorp (Maidstone), goal; W. J. Martin (Bromley) and T. S. Neville (Dover), backs; E. C. W. Rudge (Dover), S. R. Dixon (Sittingbourne), and L. G. Scrivener (Folkestone Optimists), half-backs; C. D. Barwell (Bromley), the Rev. E. E. Binns (Blackheath), F. R. Upton (Folkestone Optimists), D. Swinden (Folkestone Optimists), and R. T. Smith (National Provincial Bank), forwards.

BEDFORDSHIRE v. HERTFORDSHIRE at Luton. Bully-off, 2.30 p.m.

BEDFORDSHIRE.—C. H. Poole (Bedford), goal; B. N. Frost (Bedford Thursday) and P. F. Keens (Luton), backs; P. Letts (Queen's Works, Bedford), P. N. Currant (Luton), and F. Rawlins (Bedford Thursday), half-backs; B. H. Gray (Luton), J. E. Beasley (Old Dunstablians), E. Beaumont (Luton), R. Biggs (Luton), and Aircraftman Stevenson (Royal Air Force, Henlow), forwards.

HERTFORDSHIRE.—A. E. Oxley (Napsbury), goal; M. W. Wilcox (St. Albans) and F. E. Massey (St. Albans), backs; I. K. Robertson (West Herts), G. W. Dixon (St. Albans), and J. S. Mouro (Teddington), half-backs; J. N. B. Ashton (St. Albans), J. Brabham (St. Albans), H. E. Percival (East Herts), J. C. Brechons (West Herts), and F. Wilson (West Herts), forwards.

TULSE HILL v. CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY at Kent House. Bully-off, 2.30 p.m.

TULSE HILL.—K. Worley, goal; F. C. Rowan and R. S. Walker, backs; J. Miller, M. Dobbings, and C. K. Herbert, half-backs; F. Hosken, R. E. Staples, J. Pickering, J. Theophilus, and F. R. Cutler, forwards.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.—R. G. E. Dodson (St. Lawrence and Emmanuel), goal; V. H. Wilson (Caterham and Emmanuel) and G. T. Hindley (St. Lawrence and Christ's), backs; F. R. Brown (Leys and St. John's), F. H. Masina (Leys and Emmanuel), and T. L. Rowan (Tonbridge and Queens'), half-backs; A. G. Hardie (St. Lawrence and Trinity), R. Perfect (St. Lawrence and Emmanuel), J. C. Christopherson (Uppingham and Pembroke), A. H. Rocyn Jones (Leys and Downing), and T. D. Hewan (Marlborough and Clare), forwards.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY v. ROYAL AIR FORCE at Oxford. Bully-off, 2.45 p.m.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.—J. S. Gwatkin (Rugby and Christ Church), goal; G. S. Gee (Uppingham and Brasenose) and J. E. C. Leward (Marlborough and Christ Church), backs; J. M. Monkhouse (Rugby and Trinity), G. Theophilus (St. Lawrence and University) and H. J. Linnell (St. Lawrence and Trinity), half-backs; The Nawab of Pataudi (Lahore and Balliol), D. G. Oswald (St. Lawrence and Wadham), T. J. R. Dashwood (Wellington and Brasenose), J. S. M. Paul (Marlborough and St. John's), and A. D. Walmsley (Rossall and Queen's), forwards.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.—Corporal C. Butler (Stanmore), goal; Corporal L. G. Becton (Henlow) and Corporal Foreman (Sealand), backs; Leading Aircraftman L. R. Hobbs (Uxbridge), Sergeant W. C. Maher (Upavon), and Leading Aircraftman G. Adamson (Cranwell), half-backs; Flying-Officer N. M. Jerram (Halton), Aircraftman Williams (Henlow), Leading Aircraftman F. Connell (Gosport), Flying-Officer S. C. Bufton (Bicester), and Flight-Lieutenant H. N. Hampton (Digby), forwards.

HUNTING

A GOOD DAY WITH THE OAKLEY

THE BEAUFORT met at Newnton Lodge yesterday. From Estcourt hounds ran by Gilboa nearly to Chedglow, left-handed of Ashley, and eventually killed at Newnton Gorse. Another fox gave a very twisting hunt past Long Newnton to Brokenborough. Recrossing the Malmesbury road near Fraser's Nurseries, he went nearly to Charlton, then left-handed of Chedglow and Ashley again. Scent failed by Ashley Marsh. A fox from a garden at Tetbury went up a cottage chimney and was killed in the town.

This pack met at Bushton on Monday. From Breach Lane Copse hounds ran past Harris Hill to Greenhill, then past Little Park nearly to Vastern, back between Tockenham and Little Park to Breach Lane and on past Woodhill Park. They continued over the downs to Highway Hill, turning back above the Hangings to Bupton, scent failing between there and Stanmore after a fine hunt, the first 35 minutes in the vale being much enjoyed.

THE BELVOIR met at Leasingham yesterday. Hounds began with a good hunt from Cranwell Wood. They crossed the valley to Rauceby Ferns, then continued over Rauceby Park to Cliff Hill. Still pushing on, they pointed for Wilsford Hills and Holes, but turned right-handed and killed their fox one field beyond Stack Dill after a steady hunt of 60 minutes. Another fox from Sparrow Gorse was hunted for 20 minutes, first towards Normanton, then round by Caythorpe Court, and was lost when pointing for Cranwell Aerodrome.

THE BERKELEY met at Elmore yesterday and after much blank drawing gave a good display from Mulgrove. Hounds ran by Standish and Haresfield Park and, crossing the Bristol road, circled round Hardwicke Court. They ran through Parkend, re-crossed the Bristol road, and lost at Standish after a capital 50 minutes.

THE BICESTER met at Bletchington yesterday. Their first fox was put out of a tree near the house. Getting away at his brush hounds ran fast round Kirtlington Park to Bletchington Station and marked to ground at Hampton Poyle after a nice hunt of 40 minutes. From Busby's Spinney they had a ringing hunt of 45 minutes, finally losing their fox near the cement works. Finding at Kirtlington hounds again ran fast through Ashwood and Peatpitts to Middleton Stud Farm, swinging right-handed to Bignell, where their fox went to ground just in front of hounds after a very nice 35 minutes.

THE BROCKLESBY, after meeting at Howsham Village yesterday, had a long draw before they found in the Wilderness at Somerby. Hounds ran very nicely with Searby on their left. Then, continuing below Owmby and Grasby, were beaten just before reaching Mr. Bevan's covert near Clixby, after an enjoyable 45 minutes. Another fox whom hounds took away from Doweys Covert was hunted for 20 minutes through Mr. Doig's covert to Nettleton Big Wood, where he went to ground.

THE CRAWLEY AND HORSHAM have had splendid sport recently. From Chantry Post on Monday a fox was hunted for over an hour to High Tilton and Sullington and on to Kithurst and Parham Post. Hounds ran on to Thornwich and North Stoke Hazels and over Amberley Mount, before they lost their fox. After killing a fox at Rackham and another in Thornwich, there was another good run from Sullington fox covert to Highden Beeches and Muntham. Hounds bore on through Highden to Sullington, and through the Beeches to Highden House, where the day ended.

THE DERWENT met at Howe Bridge yesterday. Hounds found in Golden Square Willow Garth and crossed the Pickering road for Castle Ings. The fox was headed and turned over the Schoolhouse Hill road and the Thornton Dale road. Bending past Harding's Plantation, he circled round Bellefax Grange Farm and crossed the Malton and Pickering road, to be lost on Mr. Aconley's farm after a slow hound hunt of 25 minutes. The pack did not find again.

THE ESSEX met on Monday at Nine Ashes. Finding in Frying hounds ran through College Wood, Birch Spring, and High Wood, then back over the road to Parsons Spring and over a nice line to Nine Ashes, where the fox got into a tree. He was evicted and ran back by Fingith Hall and Sprigg Farm. He was rolled over in the open just before reaching Parsons Spring. Finding in Witney Wood, hounds ran by Dungeon Wood, the Osiers, and Folyats, and lost near Fyfield. Scent was good.

THE LEDBURY met at Dymock on Monday and found a brace of foxes in Alumm's Grove. Hounds went away on the Dymock side and ran fast right-handed past Hen Park to Dymock Wood. With Four Oaks on their left, they ran on the whole length of Queen's Wood and went on through Linton Wood to the Newentross road, which they crossed by the Cockshoot. The line then took them left-handed past Linton Church nearly to Aston Ingham, and then on over Withymoor Hill, where they changed foxes. It was impossible to stop them in this country of orchards and small-holdings, and hounds raced on through Reslaw Wood and Acorn Wood to Newent Wood. They hunted nearly the whole length of this vast covert, and drove their fox back to Acorn Wood, where they marked him to ground. The whole hunt lasted two hours and a quarter, during which time Champion only helped hounds twice. The point was 6½ miles.

LORD HARRINGTON'S had a great gallop of two and a half hours after meeting at Smalley yesterday. Finding in Marehay Gorse hounds got away by Marehay and ran at a fine pace by Waingroves, thence by Codnor and Losco and round to the left nearly to Marehay again. From there they proceeded by Whiteleys and Codnor Castle and on by Wood Linkin and Jacksdale for Underwood, before reaching which, however, scent gave out.

THE OAKLEY met at Warrington Toll Bar yesterday and had a good day's sport. Hounds found a fox in Threeshires and ran through Nunn Woods, skirted Lavendon, and killed at Park Farm. From Snip Wood they raced for 20 minutes by Cold Harbour and the New Buildings into Odell Wood. They ran on through Forty Acres and the Great Hayes and turned right-handed through Catseye and killed at Colworth after one hour and 35 minutes and a seven-mile point. From Hungry Hill hounds ran fast for 35 minutes by Hinwick, leaving Woollaston on the right, by Strivton and Bozeat, and killed at Horseford Spinney.

THE V.W.H. (CIRENCESTER) met at Daglinworth Manor yesterday. Hounds killed one fox who was found there, and then ran away with another past Well Hill into Cirencester Woods, where they divided and were stopped. After killing a fox at Terrotsy Brook, they had a great hunt with another, running very fast over Peewits Hill and through Hinton's Gorse to Bagendon and back. They then bore on almost to Overley, and ran right-handed by Winstone and over Bull's Bank past Edgeworth. They continued through Miserden Woods, being stopped near Whiteway Colony, having made a point of seven miles.

THE V.W.H. (CRICKLADE) met yesterday at Coldharbour. Finding by the football field, hounds ran hard through Sheeplights and away past Stratton Workhouse. Crossing the Great Western Railway, the pack divided, the leading hounds racing on by Nythe Farm, Lotmead, through Bourton Coverts nearly to Hinton. Coming back to Bourton they were run out of scent by Acorn Bridge. The remainder of the pack ran back to Stanton Wood, where they lost. After re-uniting, a tree fox from Water Eaton Vale gave a fast gallop before being marked to ground at Hampton.

THE WARWICKSHIRE had their best day of the season from Upper Brailes yesterday. Finding at Spencer's Gorse, hounds ran very fast past Little Chelmscote, through Compton Wynyates and past Balscote. Scent was then not so good on the arable land, and hounds ran on past Ragnell Bottom to Harly and lost their fox at the Ironstone Quarries after a fine run of 75 minutes, with a 6½-mile point. Hounds found again at Oxhill, and ran past Idlicote and through Hell Brake, where there was a slight check. Hounds soon hit off the line, and pulled down their fox at Compton Wynyates after a really brilliant run of 40 minutes.

THE WHADDON CHASE had a very good day from Rowsham yesterday. Killing one of a brace of foxes from a tree, hounds ran the other very fast to Wingrave and on by Crafton into Mentmore. Turning back through Trioleau, they ran from Boarscroft to Oxley's, and, swinging round, were beaten under Oving. A fox from Aston Abbots ran to Wingrave, and, coming back right-handed, went over Upper Burston and right-handed under Norduck, hounds killing their fox from a rabbit hole under Aston Abbots.

THE ZETLAND HUNT

Lord Barnard has been asked to continue as sole Master of the Zetland Hounds, of which he and the late Mr. Herbert Straker had been Joint Masters since 1920. He has consented to do so for the season 1930-31.

CIVIL SERVANTS CHARGED

EX-ENEMY PROPERTY

ALLEGED CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD

The trial was continued at the Central Criminal Court yesterday of Harold James Walter Scott, 48, accountant, and Frank Daryl Marsden, 38, accountant, who are charged with conspiring with Johann Peter Hauser, a Dutch subject, and other persons unknown to defraud his Majesty the King, the Board of Trade, and the Administrator of Ex-Enemy Property, and, being in the employment of his Majesty, with accepting from Hauser certain gifts as an inducement or reward for doing or forbearing from doing certain acts in relation to his principals' affairs or business.

Further counts charge the defendants individually with corruptly accepting gifts from Hauser with the same inducement.

Scott and Marsden were in charge of the work of realizing ex-enemy stocks and shares which came into the possession of the Public Trustee at the outbreak of the War. Considerable numbers of securities were, it is alleged, sold below their proper value, with the connivance of the two men and in the interests of Hauser. The corrupt profit was made by Hauser, who, to obtain it, made gifts to Scott and Marsden.

Both the defendants plead "Not Guilty."

The Attorney-General (Sir William Jowitt, K.C.), Mr. Percival Clarke, Mr. G. D. Roberts, and Mr. H. Elam appear for the prosecution. Mr. J. F. Eales, K.C., and Mr. Harold Benjamin defend Scott, while Marsden is represented by Sir Henry Maddocks, K.C., and Mr. Walter Frampton.

Mr. Edward Wells, chief accountant of the Clearing Office in the Ex-Enemy Debts Department, further cross-examined about the sale of 47,000 Bulgarian bonds which were sold for £6,561 when, it is suggested, they would have fetched £11,209 on the Paris Bourse, agreed that there was no market for the bonds in London. The parcel of the bonds was a large one to put on the market anywhere.

Answering SIR HENRY MADDOCKS (for Marsden), Mr. Wells said that when the Controller of Enemy Property took over from the Public Trustee in January, 1925, his Department took possession of 40,000 files. Up to that date the Public Trustee had realized some £68,000,000 worth of ex-enemy securities.

Marsden had been with the Department since 1920. His section did not decide what securities were free for disposal by sale.

SIR HENRY MADDOCKS.—Who decided when there should be a sale?—Mr. Marsden and Mr. Scott.

Who appointed the brokers?—There was no formal appointment.

How many brokers were employed?—At different times, different numbers.

Marsden had nothing to do with the appointment of brokers?—No.

Did you read all the documents which you signed?—No. Very likely I did not.

Did officials in the Department initial documents because someone below them, who was reliable, had initialled them previously, and so on, down to the office boy?—That is an unavoidable devolution. (Laughter.)

Did not Messrs. Kerr, Ware, and Co. [a firm of stockbrokers who sold a quantity of the ex-enemy stocks] only take on the work on the basis that all sales of Continental stock were sales "without recourse"?—So far as I know, that is entirely wrong.

[In a sale "without recourse" the purchaser could not claim against the seller in respect of any deficiency in the title of the stock purchased. As a result, stock so sold would fetch less than if sold unconditionally. The Crown allege that stocks which were perfectly "good delivery" were wrongly marked "without recourse" and sold below their value.]

It would make all the difference to Marsden if he believed that all sales were to be "without recourse" when he initialled orders?—Quite.

It would be fatal to the interests of the Controller of Ex-Enemy Property if there were to be any recourse against him?—It might very probably mean that he would have to buy securities in the market similar to those which he had sold previously, so as to enable him to make good delivery.

That might mean that, if he had sold something for £10 and it proved to be bad delivery years afterwards, he might have to spend £500 to complete his bargain?—He might, but the risk would become less as time went on.

If he could get some protection against that possibility, it would be better?—Yes.

In 1927 the Government were very anxious to clear up these ex-enemy debts?—Yes. We were trying to get rid of as many securities as we could.

That entailed a great many more selling orders and more work?—Yes.

QUESTION IN THE COMMONS

SIR HENRY MADDOCKS drew the attention of the witness to a question put to Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, then President of the Board of Trade, in the House of Commons, in June, 1928, in which he was asked whether, in view of the allegations which had been submitted to him concerning the relations between officers of the Enemy Debts Department and private concerns having dealings with the Department, he had instituted any inquiry into the matter.

Counsel read Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister's answer, in which he said that he had instituted the fullest inquiries into a variety of allegations which had been made and that those inquiries had satisfied him that the allegations were unwarranted.

SIR HENRY MADDOCKS.—All books, letters, and files would be open to the officials who conducted the inquiry?—Certainly.

During an inquiry instituted by the Board of Trade and the Treasury with regard to the accounts of the Clearing Office, Marsden gave every possible assistance, said the witness.

SIR HENRY MADDOCKS.—Do you know whether Mr. Drake [an examiner in the Clearing Office, who is a witness for the prosecution] had got his knife into Marsden?—I knew of no such feeling before the inquiry, and then it was very slight. Mr. Drake had a great deal of reason to feel that way.

Asked about a transaction in 1926, by which quantities of foreign securities were sold for £11,000 odd, Mr. Wells denied that at that time it was common form for securities to be sold "without recourse" although that mode of selling was never mentioned in the selling orders.

SIR HENRY MADDOCKS asked the witness which of the securities should have fetched more than they were sold for. The witness said that £600 nominal sterling value Central Georgia Railway shares ought to have fetched £285, but the shares were sold for £34.

SIR HENRY MADDOCKS.—Were the shares mutilated?—I cannot say.

If they were mutilated they might have been worth nothing?—That is a Stock Exchange matter.

Mr. Sidney William Clark, Inspector-General in Bankruptcy, said that in September, 1926, he was Principal Establishment Officer at the Board of Trade. The Board received a report from the Controller of Ex-Enemy Property respecting the conduct of Scott and Marsden.

On instructions, he wrote to Scott and Marsden pointing out that they had failed to give effect to two important instructions relating to the relationship between members of the staff and persons who became known to them in connexion with official business and relating to the allocation of business to certain firms. He informed them that the Board of Trade trusted that no possible ground for such a report might arise in future, adding that, if it did, the result must be very careful consideration of their position.

Scott replied that he had made a careful note of the letter. He greatly regretted that he had failed, through inadvertence, to give effect to the two instructions referred to. He would give no ground for such a report in future.

Marsden sent a similar reply.

PRESENTS

MR. EALES (cross-examining).—Was not all that happened that on three occasions Scott dined with Hauser?—I cannot recollect how many times. He was associated with Hauser.

And, in addition, had Mr. Scott allowed Hauser to present his children with a wireless set?—Yes, and chocolate and things, something very small.

SIR HENRY MADDOCKS (cross-examining).—Do you know that, in Marsden's case, all that happened was that he dined once with Hauser and returned the compliment?—I knew that they went to dinner and dances and stayed week-ends with each other.

Pressed, the witness admitted that he had not recently looked up the records of the matter.

Mr. John Broughton Knight, until last June Controller of the Clearing Office for Ex-Enemy Debts and Administrator of German, Hungarian, and Austrian Property, said that, in the course of the work of the Department, a large number of documents required his signature. He had confidence in those who were employed in the Clearing Office.

In September, 1926, he told Scott and Marsden personally of a complaint which had been made by a clerk who was under notice to leave the office. It was that Hauser had complained that his share of the commission arising from sales by Messrs. Kerr, Ware, and Co. was very small, as he had had to spend a great deal of money in entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Marsden, and that he had also given them presents.

Scott explained that the wireless set had been given to his children without his knowledge or consent. Marsden said that there had been no presents to him except a box of chocolates or some flowers to his wife.

The decision regarding what securities should be sold "without recourse" was made by Scott and Marsden.

Asked about the order to sell the 47,000 Bulgarian bonds, which was marked "without recourse," Mr. Knight said that he did not think that he would have signed the order if it had been so marked when it was placed before him.

Cross-examined by MR. EALES, the witness said that when he questioned Scott, Scott was quite open about everything. After the inquiry had begun Scott repaid to Hauser the cost of the wireless set.

Mr. Knight said that he did not remember discussing the sale of the Bulgarian bonds with Mr. Scott and saying that, as there was no quotation for them on the London Stock Exchange, they should be sold abroad.

MR. EALES.—I suggest that that is why they were sent to Messrs. Kerr, Ware and Co. to be sold "without recourse"?—I am quite sure that I should not have assented to their being sold "without recourse." They had just been recouponed.

"I do not think that the validity of the bonds was ever in doubt after they had been recouponed," added the witness.

MR. EALES.—There was a considerable doubt about their value?—Yes.

Answering SIR HENRY MADDOCKS, Mr. Knight said that he was not prepared to say that the Bulgarian bonds were properly stamped, or that they were not mutilated.

SIR HENRY MADDOCKS.—Then you are not prepared to say that these bonds were good delivery?—Of my own knowledge, no.

In August, 1928, directly you asked Mr. Marsden for an explanation of these sales "without recourse," did he tell you that the sales had been effected "without recourse" because it had been the custom to sell foreign securities "without recourse"? He did not conceal anything?—Oh, no.

Did he ask you at that interview, if you thought that there was anything which required investigation, to suspend him and make a thorough inquiry?—He did ask that.

And he continued at his duties until August, 1929, when his service was determined by notice in accordance with his agreement?—I do not know; I had left the Department by then.

The hearing was adjourned.

LONDON CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

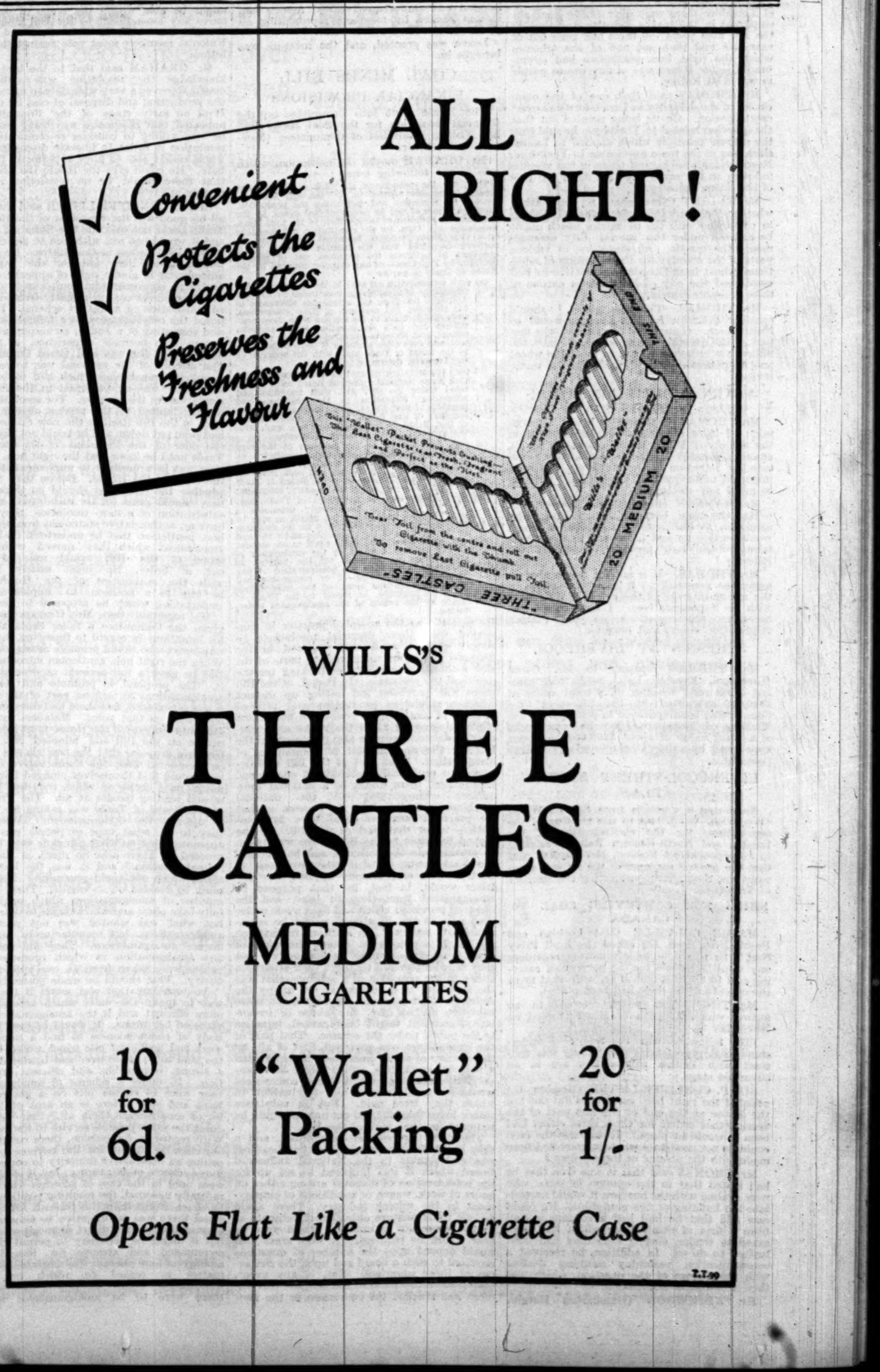
COST OF PROPOSED WORK

A L.C.C. Education Committee report states that the net expenditure, falling on the rates, on the three years' programme of educational work for London beginning in April would be £75,000, £185,000, and £295,000. The capital expenditure on school buildings during the three years would amount to £2,319,900. The scheme includes the modernization of 30 elementary and central schools, the improvement of 16 elementary schools, and rebuilding of two other schools.

The opinion is expressed by the Committee on the Government's Bill for raising the school-leaving age that the age cannot be raised effectively by the date proposed in the School Attendance Bill. It is further said that the payment of maintenance allowances in respect of children over 14 years is a grant in compensation, and should be borne by the State.

DROITWICH BRINE BATHS

The question of the public ownership of the Droitwich Brine Baths, the Park, and other properties was considered by Droitwich Town Council on Monday. The Mayor and Town Clerk reported upon negotiations with Droitwich Development Corporation, Limited, and the Town Council decided to offer £74,000 with a 21-days' time limit. The Council further decided that if the offer were refused they would immediately proceed to consider the question of erecting new and up-to-date municipal baths.



Parliament

FINANCE OF THE COAL BILL

GOVERNMENT AND TARIFFS

HOUSE OF LORDS

TUESDAY, JAN. 28

The LORD CHANCELLOR took his seat on the Woolsack at a quarter-past 4 o'clock.

The following Bills were read a second time:—Portsmouth Corporation, Shoreham Harbour, Birkenhead Corporation, Epsom Rural District Council, Guildford Rural District Council, Leicester Corporation, London County Council (General Powers), and Southampton County Council (Bursledon Bridge).

The Commons' amendments to the Arbitration (Foreign Awards) Bill were considered and agreed to.

Their lordships rose at half-past 4 o'clock.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

TUESDAY, JAN. 28

The SPEAKER took the Chair at a quarter to 3 o'clock.

The following private Bills were read a second time:—Borough Market (Southwark), Bournemouth Corporation, Brighton and Hove Gas, Bristol Cattle Market, Burnley Corporation, East Surrey Water, Kingston-upon-Hull Corporation, Leeds Corporation, Manchester Extension, Southend-on-Sea Corporation, Southern Railway, South Staffordshire Mond Gas, South Yorkshire and Derbyshire Gas, Stockport Corporation, and Stoke-on-Trent Extension Bills.

UNEMPLOYMENT

QUESTIONS TO MR. THOMAS

Mr. THOMAS, Lord Privy Seal (Derby), replying to questions by Mr. ALBERY (Gravesend, U.) and Mr. G. GIBSON (Pudsey and Otley, U.), said:—One of the objects of my visit to Canada was to stimulate increased interest in British goods in the Dominion. There is already evidence in a number of quarters that my visit is bearing fruit, and I am hopeful that with the cooperation of the trading interests concerned there will ultimately be a substantial increase in trade between this country and Canada.

Mr. ALBERY asked whether the right hon. gentleman's plans for increasing the export of British anthracite coal to Canada had made any progress.

Mr. THOMAS said that the export had very substantially increased. The demand was greater than could be met at the moment. It was out of the power of any Minister to open the St. Lawrence. Negotiations were taking place with regard to bituminous coal.

JOINT STOCK BANKS AND REORGANIZATION

Mr. THOMAS, replying to Mr. BRACKEN (Paddington, N., U.), said:—The position of the joint stock banks in relation to the reorganization of industry differs somewhat from that of the City's interests referred to in the statement which I made at Manchester on January 10, but I have every reason to believe that the policy outlined in that statement is generally acceptable to the joint stock banks.

THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY

Mr. THOMAS, replying to Mr. G. GIBSON, who asked whether he had formulated any definite scheme by which the textile industry might be assisted by the City, said:—It is for the leaders of any industry to formulate proposals for reorganization, but I shall, of course, be ready to cooperate. I am already in touch with certain interests in the textile industries. It must, however, be understood that the process of reorganization in any industry will involve prolonged and delicate negotiations with a number of interests, the course of which it would be undesirable to divulge.

Mr. G. GIBSON asked if the right hon. gentleman was aware that in the West Riding of Yorkshire there were over 30,000 men unemployed in the textile industry and that in the last nine years 700 firms had gone out of existence and that not one of the schemes which the right hon. gentleman had adumbrated in the House was of any use to people in the West Riding.

Mr. THOMAS said that one of the main causes of the difficulty in Lancashire was overcapitalization. On its being pointed out that the question related to Yorkshire, he said that the general principle which applied to Lancashire was in the main applicable to Yorkshire. Negotiations were taking place in the woollen industry in the same direction as in the case of the cotton industry.

Mr. KNIGHT (Nottingham, S., Lab.) asked whether the Lord Privy Seal was considering in connexion with the industries which might be assisted under the special City arrangements the erection of elevators in various parts of the country for the reception of additional wheat from Canada, and whether he had considered the city of Nottingham as one of these desirable centres.

Mr. THOMAS.—The last place I should consider desirable for this purpose would be Nottingham. (Laughter.) In reply to the first part of the question I may say that I met the millers yesterday and I am to meet the wheat pool to-morrow. The whole subject is under review.

McKENNA DUTIES ON MOTOR-CARS

Mr. THOMAS, in answer to Mr. G. GIBSON, said:—I have received a memorandum from the Society of Motor Manufacturers in which, among a number of other matters, they advocate the retention of the McKenna duties on imported motor-cars. I am not in a position to make any statement.

Mr. HANNON (Birmingham, Moseley, U.).—Has the right hon. gentleman given any assurance to the motor manufacturers which would enable an end to be put to the uncertainty which now prevails throughout the industry?

Mr. THOMAS.—It is not for me to give an assurance personally. I know the views of the motor interest as the result of discussion with its representatives. I have made the necessary representations on the matter. (Opposition cheers and laughter.)

SCHEMES AT LIVERPOOL

Mr. THOMAS, replying to Mr. CAINE (Liverpool, Everton, Lab.), said that since last June road schemes of a total value of £640,000 submitted by the Liverpool City Council had been approved in principle by the Ministry of Transport. Miscellaneous works of a total value of about £200,000 had been approved by the Unemployment Grants Committee.

LIVERPOOL-STREET STATION PLAN

Answering a question from SIR K. WOOD (Woolwich, W., U.) as to the position of the negotiations for the electrification of the London and North-Eastern Railway relating to Liverpool-street Station, Mr. THOMAS said that the general manager of the railway company was that afternoon meeting the Minister of Transport.

SHIPS FOR CONVEYING COAL TO CANADA

MAJOR COLVILLE (Mid Lothian and Peebles, Northern, U.) asked the Lord Privy Seal if he had definite information regarding any ships laid down for the purpose of carrying coal to Canada; and, if so, with what firms the orders for the ships had been placed.

Mr. THOMAS, in reply, referred to an answer which he gave to Mr. Kirkwood on November 19.

[The following was the reply:—I understand that negotiations for placing this contract with British shipbuilders are in an advanced stage.]

SIR P. CUNLIFFE-LISTER (Hendon, U.) asked if the right hon. gentleman did not tell the House at the end of the last part of the Session that orders for these ships either had been or would be placed. If that was the fact, could he not now state what progress had been made with the placing of these orders?

Mr. THOMAS said that it was true that he had stated that in the opinion of those who were dealing with the business it would necessitate the building of five new ships. He could now add that he had had a communication from a firm of shipbuilders which had been asked to tender, stating that they had been invited to do so. In addition, he received a communication yesterday morning dealing with the finance of the question, which was then a matter of negotiation.

Mr. KIRKWOOD (Dumbarton Burghs, Lab.) said that members who came from shipbuilding centres wanted to know exactly what was to be done about the ships, and whether or not they were mystery ships.

AGED WORKERS IN INDUSTRY

SIR K. WOOD asked the Lord Privy Seal if the Government proposed to introduce proposals for the retirement and pension of aged workers from industry, and if there was any foundation for the statement that the Cabinet Committee had now devolved this matter to the Cabinet Insurance Committee.

Mr. THOMAS said that he had not seen any statement as to that. If the right hon. gentleman would put a question on this subject down it would be dealt with.

GERMAN TARIFF ON MOTOR-CARS

Mr. HANNON asked the President of the Board of Trade whether any measures were contemplated by the German Government to raise the existing tariffs on motor-cars imported into that country or to limit the total number of cars to be imported, with quota appropriation to exporting countries; and if any representations were being made on the matter to the German Foreign Office.

Mr. W. GRAHAM.—I understand that the German manufacturers concerned have put forward suggestions on the lines indicated in the question, but that these suggestions have not been accepted by the German Government. The second part of the question does not, therefore, arise.

TARIFF TRUCE

MAJOR COLVILLE (Mid Lothian and Peebles, N., U.) asked the President of the Board of Trade if any of the Dominion Governments had expressed their views regarding the proposed tariff truce; and, if so, whether these views were favourable to the proposal.

Mr. GRAHAM (Edinburgh, Central).—Certain statements were made, I understand, by the Governments of India, the Irish Free State, and the Union of South Africa, when communicating to the League of Nations their respective decisions as to participation in the Conference. The decisions of the Governments of India and of the Union of South Africa were against participation, and that of the Government of the Irish Free State in favour of it. I understand that the statements which I have mentioned will be published by the League of Nations in due course.

MAJOR COLVILLE asked if the right hon. gentleman would undertake that no definite action was taken until after the Imperial Conference in the autumn, in view of the fact that this truce might stand in the way of the Economic Conference.

Mr. GRAHAM.—I have already indicated that I could not give any pledge or undertaking, but I do not think that matters would, in fact, work out that way.

Mr. HANNON (Birmingham, Moseley, U.).—Does the right hon. gentleman seriously intend to proceed with this proposal in view of the opinion expressed by the Dominions and Colonies?

Mr. GRAHAM.—Certainly. We have either 26 or 28 acceptances from European and other countries, and at the forthcoming conference at Geneva, whatever may be the difficulties, I intend to do my very best in this matter.

COST OF PENSIONS FOR ALL AT 60

In reply to Mr. TINKER (Leigh, Lab.), Mr. SNOWDEN, Chancellor of the Exchequer (Colne Valley), said the total cost of a pension of 25s. a week to all persons over 60 years of age was estimated at £330,000,000 in 1930, rising to £495,000,000 in 1960 and to £550,000,000 in 1980. The charge additional to the estimated cost of pensions under existing legislation, with allowance for the loss which would result from the necessary revision of contribution conditions, would be about £285,000,000 in 1930, rising to roughly £480,000,000 by 1980.

MOCK AUCTIONS

Mr. WOMERSLEY (Grimsby, U.) asked leave to introduce the Mock Auctions Bill, a measure to amend the law with respect to auctioneers, and to prohibit the holding of mock auctions and "rigged" sales. He said that in the main cities and holiday resorts of this country these swindles were carried on. The Bill sought to inflict penalties for these offences and further to secure the cancellation of licences of auctioneers or any one who was guilty of carrying on these malpractices. The measure had the support of many organizations, including the National Chamber of Trade, the Auctioneers' Institute, the Incorporated Society of Auctioneers, the National Association of Goldsmiths, the Scottish Association of Watchmakers and Jewellers, and the London and Suburban Traders' Association. It was backed by members representing all parties in the House.

Leave was granted, and the measure was brought in.

COAL MINES BILL

FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

The House went into Committee on the financial resolution for the Coal Mines Bill, Mr. YOUNG, Chairman of Committees (Newton), in the Chair.

Mr. GRAHAM moved the resolution, which was in the following terms:—

That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act") to provide for regulating and facilitating the production, supply, and sale of coal by owners of coal mines, for the temporary amendment of section three of the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1908, for the constitution and functions of a Coal Mines National Industrial Board, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient to authorize the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any expenses incurred by the Board of Trade in paying—

(a) such remuneration (if any) to the chairmen of the committees of investigation constituted by the said Act, such travelling and subsistence allowances to the chairmen and members of those committees, such remuneration to the secretaries to those committees and such remuneration to accountants, officers, and servants employed by those committees, and such other expenses of those committees, as the Board of Trade may, with the approval of the Treasury, determine;

(b) such remuneration (if any) to the chairman of the Coal Mines National Industrial Board to be constituted under the said Act, such travelling and subsistence allowances to the chairman and members of that Board, such remuneration to the secretary of that Board, and such other expenses of that Board as the Board of Trade may, with the approval of the Treasury, determine;

(c) such remuneration to the members of the Coal Mines Reorganization Commission constituted by the said Act, and to the secretary, officers, and servants of that Commission, and such other expenses of that Commission as the Board of Trade may, with the approval of the Treasury, determine;

(d) such remuneration as the Board of Trade may, with the approval of the Treasury, determine to such technical and professional agents as may be employed by the said Commission for the discharge of the functions of the Commission under the said Act, so, however, that a sum equal to the amount of any expenses incurred by the employment of such agents as aforesaid for the purpose of promoting or assisting the amalgamation of any undertakings consisting of or comprising coal mines shall, in the event of the undertakings being amalgamated, be repaid to the Board of Trade by the owners of the amalgamated undertaking.

He said it was the accepted practice in connexion with these financial resolutions to simply explain what was required in the financial provisions in the various parts of the Bill without in any way embarking on the merits of the proposals. In Part I. of the Bill there was provision for setting up district schemes regulating production and pithead disposal of coal, and, in connexion with these schemes, covering 21 of the wages ascertainment districts, there were also provisions in the Bill for the appointment of committees of investigation. That part of the Bill was designed to protect the interests of consumers. In addition, there would be a national committee, corresponding to the national machinery established by the owners, so that for practical purposes there were 22 committees under that part of the Bill. In the second Schedule to the Bill power was taken to amalgamate the districts, and he had not the least doubt that, if the provisions of Part I. were substantially applied, the districts would, in fact, for that purpose be amalgamated from time to time, and the financial provision which had been made under that part of the legislation would be correspondingly reduced. In addition to that, no one could say to what extent the work of these committees would be necessary; but they were empowered to direct their attention, either to the provision of a scheme—that was the structure of a scheme as set up by the district—or what might be very much more likely to be the case, any abuse or irregularity, or, as it might be regarded, injustice to the public under the scheme. That part of the expenditure was governed, first of all, by the number of such committees, together with a national committee, which might be necessary, the extent to which these committees would be amalgamated and the extent to which they were used. But in substance rather more than £32,000 per annum would be required for that part of the Bill.

The next part of the expenditure, and a very much smaller part, under that heading, was attributable to the National Industrial Board which it was proposed to set up for the consideration of disputes arising either on hours of work, wages, or conditions of employment in the mining industry. There again no one could venture on an exact estimate as to the aggregate expenditure which year by year would be required. A very great deal would depend upon the number of questions remitted to such a board and upon the character of those questions. But, in any event, taking these two parts of the Bill, the Government had reached the conclusion or the view that probably £35,000 in the aggregate would adequately cover these two features of the legislation.

COSTS OF REORGANIZATION

He came to the other and new part of the Bill, of which he had given notice in amendments on the Paper, that is, those amendments which provided for the setting up of a body of Commissioners called Coal Reorganization Commissioners whose duty it would be to survey the whole field in the coalmining industry and to ascertain how best amalgamations of these colliery undertakings could be approached, to prepare schemes of amalgamation—and that was on a compulsory basis—and to see that these undertakings were fused into a single unit or such other units as the Commission might determine. He wished to make it perfectly clear that these estimates which he was giving could not be anything more than the most intelligent forecast which could be made in a field which was largely unascertained or doubtful as to the amount of work which would be involved. Without in any way embarking upon the merits of the Bill, there did not appear to be any doubt that, if that part of the legislation went through, numerous schemes would in fact be promoted on a voluntary basis, and to that extent the outlay incurred by the Coal Reorganization Commission would be reduced, and then the Coal Reorganization Commission might itself take the initiative in many schemes which were carried to a certain point and at that point the owners might be willing to agree to the proposals which were made, so that expenses would tend to disappear. But there would be other cases in which compulsion would, so to speak, run its full course. No one, of course, could place a figure upon the cost of amalgamation. There had been one or two recent amalgamations in the industry which had cost large sums of money, but they were at a disadvantage in a sense in the very limited degree to which amalgamation had in fact proceeded in the coalmines of this country. But, everything considered, they believed that £250,000 would cover the remuneration of the three commissioners and subsistence and other allowances and technical and other assistance, including valuers and expert help which these commissioners would require from time to time. That accounted for approximately £250,000. If that were added to the £35,000 he had already explained, giving a total of £285,000 per annum, that was the provisional forecast in the financial resolution which he proposed.

Under the Mining Industry Act, 1920, which established the Mines Department, there was a limit of £250,000 per annum on the expenditure which that Department might incur. If the expenditure under the new legislation fell upon that Department, that limit would be very greatly exceeded, and it would be necessary to take powers to provide for the removal of a limit of that kind. He was advised that the technical and correct way of doing it was to do it separately under the Bill. Accordingly the proposed expenditure was quite outside of that £250,000 annual limit, which, for the ordinary purposes of the Mines Department, remained. A certain small part of the expenditure attributable to the effort of the Mines Department itself might, in fact, rest on the Mines Department Vote, but that was of no consequence that afternoon. It was merely a minor part of the outlay under this scheme. In the case of these amalgamations, the ordinary, or what he would call the administrative, expenditure of the Coal Reorganization Commission would be borne on public funds, but the technical and other expenses which were attributable to the inquiry as to whether amalgamation was possible or desirable, the terms on which it was to be carried out—part of that expenditure would undeniably be recoverable from the industry itself. It was perfectly true that the Government were now urging that these amalgamations were essential in the public interest, but full regard would be had to the rights of the parties, and they would be also in the interests of the industry itself. There was ample precedent, of course, for amalgamating concerns in such a position making contributions to the public outlay which the Commission might deem appropriate in the circumstances of the amalgamations which it recommended.

REJECTION MOVED

SIR P. CUNLIFFE-LISTER moved the rejection of the resolution. If the financial resolution were passed in the form in which it was proposed, he was advised that they would be precluded in Committee from moving any amendment involving any public charge which did not come within the precise terms of the resolution. It was plain that if the Bill was ever to become law it would be necessary that it should receive drastic amendment in Committee. He asked the President of the Board of Trade to give an assurance that he would recast the financial resolution in such a form that any member might be able within the scope of order to move any amendment to the Bill which was thought desirable. If that were not done, Unionist members must vote against the resolution.

Mr. GRAHAM said that to the best of his knowledge the resolution was sufficiently elastic to cover a very wide debate as regarded the production and disposal of coal by owners. If at an early stage of the Committee it appeared that discussion was being restricted he was willing to consider re-committing the resolution in order to liberate discussion. His whole object was to have a perfectly free debate. He could give the House the assurance that there would be no restriction in that matter.

SIR P. CUNLIFFE-LISTER said that with all his good will the President of the Board of Trade could not override the Standing Orders and it would not rest with him to decide what they might discuss in Committee. He (Sir P. Cunliffe-Lister) had put on the paper an amendment to give a right of appeal to an industry or consumer who complained of being overcharged for coal or unfairly treated in the administration of a district scheme. He proposed the establishment of a judicial commission consisting of a Judge, an accountant, and a man with business experience, a parallel body to the Railway and Canal Commission. The essence of the proposal was to establish a judicial commission which had to be paid, and there was no provision in the financial resolution for the purpose. The resolution was strictly limited to the precise objects which were in the Bill itself or the new clause which had been put down, and he could not close with the offer of the President of the Board of Trade until he knew that the right hon. gentleman was in a position to implement it under the rules of the House. Before they decided whether the resolution should go through or they should press for its withdrawal and the substitution of a new resolution they must have an authoritative statement from the right hon. gentleman that he undertook that every amendment which they moved within the scope of the Bill would not be ruled out of order. He must satisfy himself with the authorities of the House that he was in a position to implement the undertaking which he proposed to give.

He regretted that Mr. Graham had not given the Committee a fuller explanation of his intentions in regard to financing the Commissioners who would promote amalgamations. When the right hon. gentleman introduced the Bill he gave a full account of everything in it. The proposal to promote and stimulate amalgamations formed no part of the Bill as it was introduced, and there had therefore been no debate on that point. Members were in a difficulty, because if the House went into Committee on the Bill and adopted Mr. Lloyd George's proposal that the new clauses should be considered first, the Conservative Opposition would find themselves plunged into Committee on a clause on which they had had no second reading debate at all. The President of the Board of Trade was asking for money to appoint the Commissioners. Who were they to be, what type of people was to be appointed, and on what principle were they to proceed? There was no merit in the word "amalgamation," and it was the last thing about which one could generalize. Each case must be decided on its merits. There were a number of amalgamations which might usefully take place and which ought to take place, but what was wanted was not promoters' amalgamations, but manufacturers' and producers' amalgamations. They did not want any amalgamation in which promoters' expenses were taken from an overburdened industry. That should be made perfectly clear.

An amalgamation was sound if the result was to make the units which amalgamated more efficient and if the amalgamation took place on fair terms. It would be easy for any body of commissioners to find a number of weak and inefficient pits which would be only too glad to be taken over and bolstered up by a strong, responsible, and efficient organization. If, under a scheme of amalgamation, they were to choose pits on a geographical basis and say, "Here is an area of 12 pits, let us amalgamate them all," they might be doing the worst possible service to the industry. With regard to compulsion, there could be no objection to its use for the purpose of compelling an obstructive minority to come into a sound scheme on fair terms; but if compulsion were used in the case of schemes which were radically unsound, the resulting position might be much worse than the present. He understood there was no intention to empower the Commission to give direct financial assistance, but it might be necessary to permit them to recommend and arrange for financing in amalgamations where it was desirable. Another matter in regard to which he hoped information would be given was whether there were to be amalgamations for the sale of coal as distinct from amalgamations for the production of coal.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S SUGGESTION

Mr. LLOYD GEORGE (Carnarvon, L.) suggested that the President of the Board of Trade should withdraw the resolution and reintroduce it in a form that would permit of discussion on all amendments in Committee on the Bill on the understanding that there was no further debate on the resolution when it was reintroduced. The right hon. gentleman had made it quite clear that in his judgment the resolution would cover all the expenditure necessary to carry into effect the purposes of this part of the Bill, but it would be worth while considering whether the arbitrator was covered by the resolution. In Committee he (Mr. Lloyd George) should press for an independent valuation. In South Wales they had had amalgamations that had been disastrous from both the producers' and the miners' point of view. There was a good deal of cash there not represented by any real value. It was vital that amalgamations should be based on the real value of the mines. If valuers were appointed there would be no danger of worthless pits being taken for diluting the capital of good pits and constituting a burden on them. It was very important that they should not bolster up worthless mines. The late Government's Bill of 1926 gave a very full opportunity for voluntary schemes to be carried through and for the coalowners to put their house in order. They had not done so, and therefore he was very glad that the present Government had brought forward this measure.

MR. GRAHAM'S REPLY

Mr. W. GRAHAM said that it was rather difficult to decide on the spur of the moment about withdrawing the resolution and reintroducing it. It was the desire in all parts of the House that amendments within the scope of the Bill should be discussed in Committee. He would have an opportunity on the second reading of the new clause to go into the matter in detail, but he would say now that it was their intention to appoint three commissioners who would command confidence. The whole object was to get speed, accuracy, and efficiency in the discharge of these duties, and it was for them together to make up their minds as to the best form of body to be appointed. He thought it might be a very able chartered accountant, a very able lawyer familiar with commercial practice, and a very able mining engineer, and they would take all the circumstances into consideration, see what amount of voluntary material was available, and then proceed to the more difficult compulsory powers. It was difficult to define an uneconomic unit, and the Commissioners would have to apply their minds to that problem, among others. They would have to have regard to the public interest, which was the overriding consideration, and would have to be satisfied that the proposals were fair as among the parties who were proposed to be amalgamated, but they would quite definitely exclude the undesirable elements. He could not give detailed replies on all these points, however, because they were matters for the Commissioners. He could not pledge himself as to precisely what the Commissioners would do, but it would be contrary to the purpose if they were not given a free and comprehensive hand to deal with anything that they regarded as relevant to the more economic and efficient production of coal. He asked the Committee not to pass the resolution at the moment, but to adjourn the debate on the understanding that, if it were found that the amendments were protected, the resolution would go through without further discussion, and that if they were not protected he would withdraw the resolution and bring in another one in which all interests were safeguarded.

COLONEL LANE-FOX (Barkston Ash, U.) said he objected strongly to superior persons roving as Commissioners over the country trying to teach men who had been in their industry all their lives how to run their own business. It was far better to secure amalgamations by good will and general agreement, if that could be done.

Mr. GRAHAM said that the Commissioners would initiate schemes of amalgamations if those schemes were not suggested by owners. If there was dissatisfaction or disagreement there was the right of appeal beyond that body to the Railway and Canal Commissioners, and, so far as he knew, any further legal right of appeal which those parties might seek to exercise.

Mr. OLIVER STANLEY (Westmorland, U.) asked whether it was intended to give the Commissioners statutory powers to call evidence, as it would seem they would not be able to proceed otherwise with schemes where there were recalcitrant owners.

Mr. GRAHAM said it would be found, on Committee stage, that full provision was made for that.

Mr. MACQUISTEN (Argyllshire, U.), said the proposal to make compulsory amalgamation would cause disorganization in the coal industry.

Progress was then reported.

CHILDREN (EMPLOYMENT ABROAD) BILL

The Children (Employment Abroad) Bill, which has passed through the House of Lords, was, on the motion of Mr. SHORT, Under-Secretary, Home Office (Wednesbury), read a second time.

COLLECTING CHARITIES

The debate was resumed on the motion for the second reading of the Collecting Charities (Regulation) Bill, which provides for the investigation and regulation of charities appealing to the public for support.

SIR H. SAMUEL (Darwen, L.) said the provision of the Bill which was open to criticism and required very careful examination was Clause 3, which gave power to the Secretary of State to make regulations which would involve the licensing of persons who undertook collections from house to house on behalf of a collecting charity, and also restrict the placing of collecting-boxes for the purpose of any such charity. This clause would operate against friendly and voluntary collections for particular and immediate purposes. A man died, leaving his widow in distress. What could be more proper than for a few friends to go around among the neighbours to raise a sum to pay for the funeral and give the widow a little help? Or a concert might be got up to raise a few pounds to replace a horse which had died belonging to a poor man in business. Those would be collecting charities under the Bill; the persons undertaking them would have to be licensed, and before the licence was granted there was to be an investigation by the police into their character, otherwise they were liable to a fine of £5. The result would be that people would unwittingly commit an offence, or, if they were aware of their obligations, would be frightened to do anything, and thus very proper undertakings would be checked at the outset. The Government should consider whether this clause was necessary. If the police knew that a fraudulent person was collecting money by deceiving the public they could take action under the first two clauses of the Bill.

Mr. SHORT said that if the House would give a second reading to the Bill, the Government would be prepared in Committee to redraft Clause 3, special consideration being given to small domestic collections for the benefit of some immediate victim. They would aim at drafting the regulations in a broad, generous spirit with a desire to safeguard all the interests involved, and the Home Secretary was prepared to put the draft regulations on the table of the House.

SIR J. WITHERS (Cambridge University, U.) said that the wide definition of a collecting charity would include Cambridge University, which was making an appeal for the collection of funds to enable it to obtain a large grant from the Rockefeller Trust. He hoped the Home Secretary would give an assurance that it would be excluded.

Mr. WOMERSLEY (Grimsby, U.) said that a member of the board of the British Hospitals Association had written to him saying that that organization was by no means satisfied with the Bill. A better way would be to license the charity itself and leave it to the common sense of the charity to see that reputable people collected on their behalf.

Mr. SHORT said that the British Voluntary Hospitals Association was not a charitable organization but existed to collect statistics.

The Bill was read a second time.

THE CANAL SYSTEM

On the motion for the adjournment Mr. MANDER (Wolverhampton E., L.) raised the question of the canal system, and urged the need for action to bring this means of transport up to date. He asked the Government to call a national transport conference.

Mr. BROMLEY (Barrow-in-Furness, Lab.) said that it was a complete fallacy to suppose that the canals could be developed on a commercial basis. It had been estimated by experts that the reconditioning of the canals would cost £70,000 a mile.

Mr. HERBERT MORRISON, Minister of Transport (Hackney S.), said that the Government were friendly towards the economic development of the canal system of the country. They had intimated to the Canal Association that they were perfectly willing to consider schemes submitted to them. Several schemes were now being considered under the Development Act passed last year.

The House was "counted out" at 12 minutes past 8 o'clock.

LORD WOLMER AND THE POST OFFICE

PLEA FOR NEW FORM OF CONTROL

Lord Wolmer spoke last night at the 1912 Club on the subject of "Post Office Reform," his case being mainly a restatement of the arguments and the statistics which he used in the three articles contributed by him to *The Times* on September 30 and October 1 and 2 last year. CAPTAIN GERALD CONINGHAM presided.

LORD WOLMER said that in his criticisms of the Post Office he seemed to have incurred the wrath of the Postmaster-General and the professional Socialists, the latter of whom had been accustomed to point to the Post Office as an example of the success of State enterprises and as a proof that their theories could be translated into practice on a much larger scale. His own experience at the Post Office was in exactly the opposite direction; in fact, it seemed to him that the Department should be very drastically reformed. They all agreed that the carrying of mails must be undertaken by the State, as it was done in every country, but that did not mean that the work should be conducted after the manner of the ordinary Government Department. Their Socialist friends would never get "any forrader" with their nationalization projects unless they discarded the use of the Post Office as an example altogether. The Post Office was an industry, and not a Department, employing about 250,000 people, and it could never be efficiently controlled by a politician whose average life, according to the records of the last 30 years, was two years, one of which he spent in learning something about the business.

After contrasting the costs of the various departments of the Post Office with their equivalent organizations in the United States of America, Lord Wolmer argued that the British people would obtain cheaper and better postal services than they did to-day if the whole undertaking were transferred to a public utility organization similar to the Port of London Authority. The employees of the Post Office would also secure better pay and more chances of promotion than they could do to-day, in illustration of which he quoted the case of the staffs who had transferred from the Post Office to the New Empire Communications, Limited. The service needed reorganization, as the War Office was reorganized 30 years ago by the Esher Committee.

Mr. E. C. W. HANNAN, in the discussion, expressed the view that excess of red-tape, more especially in the use of express letters, restricted the utility of the Post Office to the public.

Mr. H. ADAMS said that when a telephone was installed in his firm's office so many people were sent to look on and look round that he began to think it would be necessary to bring in the police to control them.

Mr. J. T. PLOWMAN said that there should be no hesitation in bringing in the best brains in telephone organization, if such were necessary.

MAILBAGS LOST IN PAST THREE YEARS

THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S STATEMENT

Mr. Lees-Smith, the Postmaster-General, in a written answer to Mr. Cadogan, Mr. Bowerman, and Mr. Hore-Belisha, as to the number of mailbags lost, mainly due to theft, states that the number during the past three years was 21, 41, and 27 respectively. In the same period about as many other bags were tampered with in course of transit. Seven persons were prosecuted for the thefts in 1929 and five in each of the previous years.

There was no foundation for the suggestion that Scotland Yard had on any occasion complained of delay in notifying mail losses. The total amount paid as compensation for the loss of postal packets, including parcels, during the past three years averaged £12,000 per annum.

The Postmaster-General added:—"I think it desirable to mention, in view of possible public apprehension which may have been aroused by Press reports of mail robberies, that the number of mail bags conveyed annually by rail exceeds 40,000,000, to which must be added considerable numbers which are transported by road. The bags lost or violated average little more than one per million. The total losses of registered packets of all kinds from all causes are about 16 per million.

"As the result of the report of a committee which has recently investigated the question, some additional safeguards have been introduced and certain others are under consideration. I hope that these measures, which it is not desirable to disclose in detail, will afford further security. It must, however, be remembered that a large proportion of mail bags while in course of transit by rail or by sea are outside the control of Post Office staff."

POST OFFICE WAGES

INCREASES FOR ENGINEERS

The Postmaster-General announces a revision in the pay of workmen employed in the engineering department, for whom a claim was recently made by the Post Office Engineering Union.

The minimum of the scale of skilled workmen, Class 1, is increased by 2s. and the maximum by 4s.; the maximum of the scale of skilled workmen, Class 2, is increased by 2s.; an allowance of 3s. a week is to be paid to the whole of the indoor staff with two years' service, except those employed in automatic exchanges and repeater rooms, who will get an allowance of 5s. Class 2 workmen in charge of gangs will get an allowance of 10s., and Class 1 men in charge of gangs, in addition to sharing in the improvemet in the scale, will get a variable allowance to insure that their pay is not below the maximum of the Class 2 men plus the 10s. allowance.

Improvements are also made in the scales of the establishment staff of the submarine cable ships and to way-leave officers and the staff of the Post Office Tube railway. In the case of the labourers and youths in training there is no change.

The improvements are subject to the Civil Service cost-of-living bonus. The improvement in the Class 1 workmen's scale and also the granting of the allowances dates from April 1 last. The range of the work qualifying for Class 1 posts has been enlarged, and allowances have also been granted to certain other sections of the staff outside those affected by the grant to the indoor staff. The cost of the settlement is £200,000 for the first year, and afterwards the cost will be increased.

LORD MAYOR'S TRIBUTE TO THE PRESS

The Lord Mayor and the Sheriffs were guests of the Horners' Company at a livery dinner held last night in Merchant Taylors' Hall, Threadneedle-street, E.C. The MASTER (Mr. Charles Newell) presided. In responding to the civic toast proposed by SIR ALFRED ROBBINS the LORD MAYOR paid a high tribute to the newspaper Press. On Sunday, he said, he and the Lady Mayoress had the privilege of receiving at the Mansion House 76 representatives of the foreign and Colonial Press who were here for the Naval Conference. Much was owed to the Press at the present time. Their great Cathedral of St. Paul's was to be opened this year in its full glory, and they owed that to *The Times*. That great newspaper realized the danger which had existed and brought it home to the people of this country, with the result that a magnificent fund was subscribed to carry out the work necessary for the safety and preservation of the edifice. Thousands of people during the past few weeks had enjoyed the music from the carillon in Hyde Park, and they owed that to the proprietors of the *Daily Sketch*, who had made it possible to hear those wonderful peals. The City also owed a debt of gratitude to the *City Press*. ALDERMAN and SHERIFF NEAL, father of the Horners' Company, also replied, and the LORD MAYOR proposed the toast of that guild, to which the MASTER responded.

Among others present were:—Alderman Lord Ebbisham, Sir Harry Foster, Sir Henry Kimber, Lieutenant-Colonel Dan Burges, V.C. (Governor of the Tower), Mr. Gilbert Taylor (Immediate Past Master), Lieutenant-Colonel H. Hamilton Wedderburn, Mr. J. H. White (Chief Commoner), Colonel A. E. Prescott, Mr. George Potts, Mr. A. H. Michell, Mr. D. C. Rutherford, Lieutenant-Colonel B. M. R. Sharp, the Masters of the Glovers' and the Founders' Companies, the Mayor of Southwark, Lieutenant-Colonel E. Radcliffe Cooper, Mr. M. W. H. Lancaster, Mr. J. A. Tulloch, Mr. W. A. Prater, Mr. W. T. Suren, Mr. Frank Hawkins, Mr. H. C. de Lafontaine, Mr. H. R. Boyd, Mr. F. Rowland, Major G. F. Preston, Mr. Under-Sheriff W. H. Champness, Mr. A. Robertson (Upper Warden), and Mr. Under-Sheriff T. Howard Deighton (the Clerk).

PARLIAMENTARY NOTICES

HOUSE OF LORDS

AT 3.45

Introduction of Lord Trenchard, Lord Wakefield, and Lord Dickinson.

Lord Templetown, question on events in Palestine.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

AT 2.45

Private members' motions: Mr. Remer, Empire free trade; Mr. Grundy, agricultural unemployment insurance.

COMMITTEES

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—Capital Punishment, Room 11, at 4. Unopposed, Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 13) and (Bradford Extension), Room 9, at 3.30.

PROMOTION IN CIVIL SERVICE

POSITION OF WOMEN

Mr. W. J. Brown, general secretary of the Civil Service Clerical Association, continued his evidence before the Royal Commission on the Civil Service at the Ministry of Health yesterday. Lord Tomlin presided.

SIR HENRY SHARP, a member of the Commission, questioned Mr. Brown on the influences which disrupted the operation of the organization committee's report of 1920.

Mr. Brown agreed that among the influences were the Treasury's desire for economy, the grave difficulties arising out of post-War conditions, the tendency of Parliament to devolve responsibility for certain decisions on the bureaucracy, the introduction of mechanical processes, and the growth of social legislation.

Replying to Mr. R. RICHARDS, M.P., Mr. Brown said that other staff organizations in the Civil Service had had an opportunity of seeing the memorandum of evidence which had been submitted. He gathered that the executive class objected to their proposals, but, as they were proposing the abolition of the executive class, that was understandable. (Laughter.)

Mrs. E. M. LOWE raised the question of the segregation of men and women Civil servants, and Mr. Brown said that conditions had changed very much since he entered the service. There were then closed doors separating the sections. No one was allowed to pass through those doors. It was worth more than a man's life to pass from the men's department to the women's department. When he was a boy at the Post Office he remembered seeing the secretary summarily hauled back by a messenger when he tried to do so. (Laughter.) Broadly speaking segregation had to a very considerable extent broken down, and they could find men and women working side by side in one department.

Mrs. LOWE.—Women do get the same opportunity of similar responsibility in a given office, but they are lower paid.

Mr. BROWN.—Yes. We have not got equal pay in the Civil Service, even when they are part of the same grade. Up to most recent times the higher range of the Service was practically a closed field to women. It is only within recent years that one finds women holding really important posts in the Service, as distinct from the less important clerical and other posts.

Mr. Brown said he did not think that there was undue sex bias in the Service. He did not pretend that there was none at all, but it would be a wrong impression to convey that women were badly treated because of the sex bias.

SOURCE OF UNREST

In his memorandum Mr. Brown dealt in detail with the present situation in the Civil Service. Most of the difficulties and grievances which existed, he said, were related to three or four main questions of principle. These were the questions of uniformity, of organization, of the division of labour, of the demand that for work which is permanent the posts should be permanent and pensionable, and that adequate promotion outlet should be organized from each grade to the grade above.

A prolific source of unrest in the clerical class was the absence of adequate promotion outlet. From 1920 to 1929 there were only 550 promotions to the executive class, giving an average of about 50 promotions a year for a class of 20,000 members.

The writing assistants' class, which originally was recruited by public examination among girls at the age of 16, was broadly of the same social type and of the same educational standard as the clerical classes. The proportion of clerical class vacancies filled by promotion from the writing assistants was only 6 per cent. The result had been to produce at the top of the assistants' scale a congestion of assistants of mature age, well qualified to perform better work but with remote prospects of promotion. The wages ranged from 18s. to 36s. in London and 18s. to 34s. in the provinces.

Widespread and acute suffering was due to the fact that instead of being recruited from the normal age of 16 a large proportion consisted of ex-temporary clerks with an average age of 30 to 35. Instead of young girls living at home the bulk of the class consisted of adult women living in lodgings and depending on their own resources. The present wage scales were insufficient. A budget had been prepared showing that 64s. a week was the minimum on which a girl could be expected to maintain herself without help from her parents. At the present rates a writing assistant could never reach that salary.

MARKETING OF TABLE POULTRY

DRAFT GRADING SCHEME

The Ministry of Agriculture has issued details of the draft scheme for grading and marking table poultry, which is to come into operation on June 1, after consideration and amendment (if necessary) by national organizations representing producers and distributors. Standards of classification and quality are set out for chickens, fowls, ducks, geese, and turkeys, to which National Mark labels and seals will be applied.

Authorization to use the National Mark will be granted to cooperative associations of producers or any commercial enterprises that can satisfy the Ministry of their competence in equipment and technical skill, to carry out the conditions. Since, however, the advantages of standardization can be fully and economically secured only when operations are on a reasonably large scale, it is proposed, as a tentative arrangement to be reviewed in the light of experience, to define for certain months of the year a minimum output which must be attained as a condition of authorization to apply the National Mark. The proposed minimum output is 60 dozen birds a month during April and May, of which 15 dozen must be packed under the National Mark, and from June to December 80 dozen, of which 20 dozen must be packed under the National Mark. January to March inclusive will be free months, so far as output qualification is concerned.

There will be two grades in each class, A1 and A, and National Mark labels, blue and red respectively, will be applied to boxes, while the marking of each bird with a specially designed lead seal bearing the National Mark will be optional for chickens, fowls, and ducks, but obligatory for turkeys and geese.

Applications for authorization will, in the ordinary course, be made through the county branches of the National Farmers' Union, and applications will be submitted by the Ministry to the National Mark (Egg and Poultry) Trade Committee.

SALVATION ARMY AND EMPIRE SETTLEMENT

Mr. William Lunn, Under-Secretary for Dominion Affairs, presided on Monday over a Salvation Army rally in Camberwell to meet some prosperous boy farmers on holiday from Canada. He was supported by Mr. C. G. Ammon, M.P., Dr. H. B. Morgan, M.P., and the Mayor of Camberwell. A message was read from General Higgins welcoming the boys.

Mr. LUNN, who is chairman of the Overseas Settlement Committee, said he believed in migration and wanted to bear testimony to the work of the Salvation Army in knitting together the Empire. In 25 years the Salvation Army had settled over 200,000 persons abroad, and no less than 90 per cent. had settled satisfactorily. Since the War 47,000 had taken advantage of the Salvation Army's schemes and only 1 per cent. were failures. Since 1923 5,000 boys had been sent abroad, and some of those were now with them on holiday. He wondered how many in this country could afford to pay for a holiday in Canada. He knew what unemployment meant and was surprised to see that more young men from this country had not taken steps to migrate. They welcomed the Army at the Overseas Settlement Committee. It was their best voluntary organization, and so long as voluntary organizations were part of the machine he had no doubt that the Army would be strongly in evidence.

NEW WHITE STAR COMMODORE

The White Star Line has given Commodore William Marshall, R.N.R., commander since 1928 of the Majestic, the world's largest liner, the title of Commodore of the White Star Line Fleet. The rank entitles him to fly a special flag, a White Star Line house flag edged with white, at the mainmast of his ship, and also to wear distinctive markings of rank. Commodore Marshall, who is 56 years of age, became a junior officer in the company's cargo service 31 years ago. Since he was promoted to Commander in 1911, he has commanded all the more important ships in the company's service, including the Teutonic, the Megantic, the Cedric, and the Olympic. He received the D.S.O. for his war services with the Auxiliary Patrol and a bar to his D.S.O. in December, 1919. He was created C.B. in 1925 and was appointed Aide-de-Camp to the King in 1926.

SIR S. BRANCKER ON AVIATION

PROGRESS OF IMPERIAL AIR MAILS

AIR VICE-MARSHAL SIR SEFTON BRANCKER, Director of Civil Aviation, speaking at a luncheon at the Aldwych Club yesterday, said that in less than 100 years man had developed transport from the speed of a galloping horse to over 300 miles an hour in the Schneider Trophy air contest. Scientists told us there was now no reason why, sooner or later, we should not be able to travel as fast as sound. Possibly, therefore, in 20 or 30 years they would be able to leave Southampton at tea-time and arrive in New York for luncheon on the same day.

Speaking of air transport in the British Empire, he said that a British certificate for airworthiness was now the best thing in the world for selling aircraft. It was the equivalent of "A 1 at Lloyd's" in the shipping world. The India Air Mail service was progressing extremely well, the average weight of mails carried each way having risen from 300lb. in April last to 550lb. in December. The total now represented about 5 per cent. of the total first class mail matter going to India. He foreshadowed that a service from London to Melbourne taking 12 days would be in operation by 1931, when it was also hoped that a through mail service between the Cape and Cairo would be running.

MOOT AT GRAY'S INN

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PARROT'S BITE

A Moot was held in Gray's Inn Hall last night. MR. JUSTICE ACTON presided. The following Masters of the Bench were present:—Lord Justice Greer (Master of the Moots), Sir D. Plunket Barton, K.C., Mr. Bernard Campion, K.C., and Mr. F. Hinde.

The following appeal was argued:—

A nurse in charge of a child aged six takes her to the botanical gardens and menagerie of the Corporation of the town of X. At the entrance the nurse reads a notice saying that children under 15 are not admitted unless they are in charge of a responsible adult. The nurse and child enter a winter garden, in which a number of parrots, cockatoos, and other birds are chained in a row. There is a notice which states: "Visitors must not touch or irritate the birds."

A keeper coming through and seeing the nurse and child, enters into conversation with them, and, lifting the child in his left arm, with his right hand scratches the head of one of the parrots, to amuse the child. This the keeper has for years been accustomed to do to this parrot, and he has never known the bird to be otherwise than quite gentle and docile with him.

The nurse, observing the keeper's actions, stretches out her hand towards the parrot, snapping her finger and thumb and saying, "Pretty Poll! Pretty Poll!" The bird, alarmed by the near approach of a strange hand and the sound of a strange voice, flutters screaming from its perch, and inflicts an injury with its beak upon one of the child's fingers. Blood poisoning ensuing necessitates amputation of the finger.

The child, by her father as next friend, brings an action against the Corporation of X.

The jury find

(1) that the keeper was negligent in lifting the child into a position within reach of the parrot's chain.

(2) that the nurse was negligent both (a) in suffering the keeper, without protest or objection, to lift the child into that position; and (b) in acting as she did towards the parrot.

(3) that without such negligence on the part of the nurse the child would not have been injured, and

(4) that when the nurse acted as she did towards the parrot no care on the part of the keeper could have prevented the injury to the child.

Upon these findings judgment is given for the defendants. The plaintiff appeals.

Mr. H. Edmund Davies and Mr. Keith K. Kirk appeared on behalf of the appellant; Mr. G. T. McInnes and Mr. G. N. England appeared for the respondent Corporation.

The PRESIDENT, in allowing the appeal, said that the case for the Corporation must rest upon the contention that the present case was within Waite v. North Eastern Railway ([1858] Ell. Bl. and Ellis, 799). The true question was within what limits was the principle of identification to be confined. Those limits were not to be unduly extended. The present case was distinguishable from Waite v. North Eastern Railway. As soon as the keeper had taken the child into his arms and held her up towards the parrot so that the parrot was within striking distance of the child, the question of identification disappeared. The appeal would be allowed with costs, together with costs in the Court below, and there would be a new trial.

LEVEL CROSSINGS IN HULL

HEAVY VOTE AGAINST SCHEME FOR ABOLITION

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

HULL, JAN. 28

A poll was taken in Hull yesterday on the London and North Eastern Railway's Parliamentary Bill for the abolition of the level-crossings in the city. The result was the overwhelming defeat of the proposal by 32,319 votes to 2,854.

The counting of votes on the Hull Corporation's Bill for the closing of private slaughter-houses and the erection of a public slaughter-house was still proceeding at a late hour, as was also the counting of votes on the running of trolley omnibuses instead of petrol omnibuses; but it can be taken that both schemes will also be heavily defeated.

WOMEN'S UNIONIST ORGANIZATION

LECTURES ON CURRENT POLITICS

The Women's Unionist Organization, of which Lady Iveagh, M.P., is chairman, has arranged a course of seven lectures for women on current politics, to be given at Palace-chambers, Westminster, at 11.15 a.m. on successive Thursdays, beginning on February 5. The syllabus is as follows:—

Feb. 6.—"Coal."—Speaker, Miss Irene Ward; chairman, Mrs. Headlam.

Feb. 13.—"Agriculture."—Speaker, Sir Douglas Newton, M.P.; chairman, Miss Regina Evans.

Feb. 20.—"Unemployment Insurance."—Speaker, Major Walter Elliot, M.P.; chairman, Lady Dynevor.

Feb. 27.—"The Record of the Government in Home Affairs."—Speaker, Mr. Oliver Stanley, M.P.; chairman, Mrs. Charles Williams.

March 6.—"The Record of the Government in Foreign Affairs."—Speaker, Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson, M.P.; chairman, Mrs. Cheesman.

March 13.—"Imperial Preference."—Speaker, Mr. Herbert G. Williams; chairman, Mrs. Furse.

Particulars of the seventh lecture, on March 20, over which Lady Falmouth will preside, will be announced later.

The fee for the whole course is a nominal one of 5s., to cover the expenses of printing and postage. Applications should be addressed to Miss Wadsworth, Palace-chambers, Westminster, S.W.1.

Arrangements have also been made to hold the following classes for speakers:—

(1) Class for beginners. Series of six on Friday mornings at 11.15 a.m., beginning on February 7. Fee for course, 10s. 6d.

(2) Practice class for men and women. Every Tuesday at 6 p.m. No charge.

(3) Practice class for women. Every Wednesday at 3 p.m. No charge.

The classes will be conducted by Miss Dyball at the headquarters of the Women's Unionist Organization, Palace-chambers, Westminster, S.W.1. Applications—which should be made to Miss Wadsworth at that address—will be taken in the order received, as the numbers must be limited to enable each member of the class to receive individual attention.

THE "POLITICAL QUARTERLY"

The *Political Quarterly* makes its appearance this week as "a journal of opinion, not of propaganda," and its ambition is to appeal to those who are not committed to any political programme and who want, not ready-made opinions, but the material from which they may form their own opinions. Nevertheless, the composition of the Editorial Board provides an assurance that the discussion of social and political questions will be from what is broadly termed a "progressive" point of view.

The principal article of the first number is on "The Problem of the Coal Mines," by Mr. G. D. H. Cole, who, though critical of the Government's Bill, finds in it more of good than evil. He asks for three things which the Bill does not provide—compulsory amalgamation of collieries on a basis of district unification; an effective legal minimum wage; and "marketing in the real sense." Mr. Alfred Zimmern discusses the relationship in a democracy between the common man and the thinkers on the one hand and the skilled administrators on the other. He sees democracy faced with the danger of being displaced by the ruler class which it has had to call into its councils in order to meet its own special requirements. Mr. J. M. Keynes on "The Question of High Wages," Mr. W. A. Robson on "The Future of Trade Union Law," and Mr. J. Wedgwood on "How Far Can a Labour Budget Go?" and a political dialogue by Mr. G. Lowes Dickinson set their stamp on this first number.

The Ancient Merchants Lecture will be given in Mount View Congregational Church, Stroud Green, during the month of February. The lecturer will be the Rev. Arthur Pringle, of Purley (ex-chairman of the Congregational Union of England and Wales), and his subject will be "Some Respectable Sins." The lectures will be delivered on Wednesdays, February 5, 12, 19, and 26, at 8 o'clock.

SCIENCE STUDIES AT CAMBRIDGE

PROPOSED REGROUPING

MINERALOGY AND COGNATE SUBJECTS

CAMBRIDGE, JAN. 28

At the invitation of the Vice-Chancellor (Mr. A. B. Ramsay, Master of Magdalene) members of the Senate assembled in the Senate House this afternoon for the purpose of the discussion of the report of the Syndicate upon the position of mineralogy in the studies of the University.

The Syndicate, of which Professor A. C. Seward was chairman, reported that they had held five meetings, and were greatly indebted to Professor Hutchinson for memoranda and history and on the present condition and activities of the Department of Mineralogy. They had also had before them a memorandum by Mr. J. D. Bernal on the present state of crystal structure studies both in this country and on the Continent, and other notes. The report then proceeds to describe the various changes that have taken place in the department during the past century.

Although the earlier occupants of the Woodwardian Chair of Geology were mineralogists rather than geologists, the history of mineralogy as a distinct branch of study in the University really begins with the creation of the present Chair of Mineralogy in 1808 and the appointment of Edward Daniel Clarke. Ten years later Adam Sedgwick was appointed Woodwardian Professor, and under him the study of geology at Cambridge underwent rapid development as a science distinct from mineralogy, a separation which has persisted to the present day. After the death of Clarke in 1822, Henslow carried on the teaching of mineralogy for a short period before he became Professor of Botany. Whewell succeeded him, and was followed in 1832 by W. H. Miller, one of the most celebrated crystallographers, who held the Chair until 1881. Under the influence of Whewell and Miller crystallography became the dominant subject of study, and this tradition has been maintained.

CRYSTALLOGRAPHY AND PETROLOGY

In recent years a fresh impetus has been given to the development of crystallography by the employment of X-ray methods of investigation, which has opened up an extraordinarily wide field of inquiry. Then, shortly before the death of Miller, the application of the microscope to the study of the mineral constitution of rocks led to the growth of the science of petrology. On its descriptive and determinative side, petrology is differentiated from mineralogy, in that it deals, not with separate minerals, but with the highly complex mineral aggregates, often on a microscopic scale, which constitute rocks.

At Cambridge the teaching of mineralogy has remained separate from the teaching of petrology, and until recent years there has been little cooperation between the departments concerned. This separation has adversely affected both studies.

The Syndicate are convinced that it is impossible in one department and under one professor adequately to develop both crystallography and mineralogy. They believe that the future development of crystallography lies mainly in fields bordering upon both physics and chemistry, while that of mineralogy is linked with petrology. They are, however, strongly of opinion that it is impossible to provide for these two subjects in a manner worthy of the importance of the subject or of the University by allocating them to any existing departments.

The primary recommendation of the Syndicate is that the existing Department of Mineralogy should be replaced by two departments, each with its own Chair; a Department and Chair of Crystallography, and a Department and Chair of Mineralogy and Petrology. The Department of Mineralogy and Petrology should be in closest possible relation with the Department of Geology, but should also work in cooperation with the Department of Crystallography.

The proposed regrouping of the subjects hitherto comprised under the title of mineralogy carries with it important changes in accommodation, in the organization of teaching, and in the examination system.

SYNTHETIC ROCKS

The Syndicate recommend that the premises of the existing Department of Mineralogy should be assigned to crystallography, and that a new building adjacent to the Sedgwick Museum of Geology should be provided for mineralogy and petrology, where facilities might be afforded for the initiation of research in Britain on the synthetic production of minerals and rocks on the lines so successfully followed at the Geophysical Laboratory at Washington. The Syndicate's recommendations for the readjustment of the examination system include the recognition of crystallography as an independent, but subordinate, subject in Part I. of the Natural Sciences Tripos and the union of mineralogy and petrology in association with geology.

The discussion occupied two hours. There was general approval of the union of mineralogy with petrology and it was urged that this union was the really important part of the Syndicate's proposals, but several speakers hoped that arrangements might be made for the continuance of mineralogy in its comprehensive sense as an integral subject. A special plea was advanced by the Master of Pembroke for including crystallography with mineralogy and petrology in the same building.

RIDLEY HALL

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS IN JUNE

Ridley Hall, the Evangelical college at Cambridge, which grew steadily from 1881 to 1912 and has prepared 1,500 men for the ministry of the Church, will celebrate its jubilee this year with a reunion of old members. The celebrations will take place at the hall on June 18, 19, and 20, and many of the Bishops and prominent clergy who were trained there will share in them. In the last 50 years 28 old members have been raised to the episcopate and two have become Archbishops. Those engaged on the Imperial or missionary work of the Church numbered 275.

When Ridley Hall was opened in 1881 it consisted of the gateway, tower, library, principal's house, and only eight sets of rooms. Twelve sets of rooms were added, with other accommodation, in 1882; 10 years later 11 more sets of rooms were completed; the chapel was built in the same year, embodying some fragments of the old pulpit of Holy Trinity Church, which was used by Charles Simeon; and in 1912 11 sets of rooms were added and the chapel was enlarged. Though its capacity has thus increased greatly since its foundation, the hall will probably not be able to house all the old members who will wish to attend the reunion, but they will join again in its corporate life for the three days. Meals will be taken together and devotions will be conducted at the hall.

On the evening of the first day the Bishop of Bristol, the Bishop on the Niger, and the Archdeacon of Coventry will contribute to a historical retrospect of the college. On the following day Mr. J. F. W. Deacon will preside at the luncheon, and the speakers will be the Bishop of Winchester, the Dean of Bristol, and the Rev. A. G. Dodderidge. The Principal and Mrs. Gibson will give an at home, and later, missionary subjects will be discussed by the Bishop of Uganda, the Bishop of Christchurch, New Zealand, and the Bishop in Western China. In the evening, Canon A. J. Tait, Canon E. S. Woods, and the Rev. G. H. Harris will be the speakers.

LONDON MUNICIPAL SOCIETY

Mrs. BALDWIN presided at a meeting of the London Municipal Society and the National Union of Ratepayers' Associations (Women's Section) at 10, Upper Brook-street, W., on Monday, when an address was given by Miss BRIGHT-ASHFORD on "Electricity and Smoke." In an appeal to the members to use their influence to increase the membership of the society, Mrs. BALDWIN said that in propaganda they were behind the Socialists. The municipal elections were being fought on political lines. The Socialists had said they were out to capture all the municipal seats. It was part of the work of the London Municipal Society to try to convince householders that the return of Socialist candidates would mean increased rates.

Mr. James Fenton, Minister for Trade and Customs for Australia, chief delegate from the Dominion at the Naval Conference, is to be the chief guest at a luncheon arranged in his honour by the Royal Empire Society in the Cannon-street Hotel on February 4. Mr. Fenton is to address the Society on "The Economic Outlook in Australia."

STATE OF BRITISH AGRICULTURE

AN OXFORD SURVEY

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

OXFORD, JAN. 28

An investigation into the present state of English agriculture has just been completed by the University Institute of Agricultural Economics. The inquiry was suggested by the fact that in some parts of the country farms are difficult to obtain, and those which become vacant are taken at once.

The report of the investigation, which has just been issued, declares that "over a large part of the country considerable difficulty will be experienced in finding any farm to be let, and, moreover, when one is to become vacant, there are perhaps dozens of applications for it. Even the moderately intelligent observer can scarcely fail to ask himself the reason. Is it probable that only the best farms come into the market? That is scarcely credible, because the good farms are too rare to be lightly vacated. Is it only the poorer and more inconvenient, in fact the marginal farms, which are changing hands, and, if so, is it to be supposed that there are so many men, men who have been born to the land and know of its present difficulties, who are anxious to plunge themselves and their families into financial perdition?

"What is true, beyond all question, is that in some parts of England there is not a farm to be let, and only by offering him a figure in excess of market prices can the tenant be persuaded to give up his holding—he credits a large amount of his assets to goodwill. It is equally true that in other parts of England there are farms being carried on by the owners for want of any tenant, farms which have been offered rent free for two and three years without success, and still no working farmers will come forward to invest their capital in them. In other words, although our national agriculture cannot be considered prosperous, yet, at the same time, to affirm its general depression is both unwise and untrue. The problem is essentially one of districts, of types of farm and types of farming. For the purposes of the inquiry it was deemed that the course of farm rents, combined with a consideration of the demand for farms or the difficulty of obtaining tenants, in this district or that, would show for England what the rural land market might show in another country."

From the information thus obtained it is declared by the report that depression cannot be said to exist in the west, and, conversely, the returns from the eastern parts of the country show the hardships under which the farming community is labouring. English agriculture is not suffering from one simple disease, and there is no one simple remedy which can be applied.

THREE CONCLUSIONS

"1. Some commodities, such as milk and market garden stuffs, are produced, owing to their highly perishable nature, under naturally protected conditions. Where advantage is taken of this natural protection farmers find themselves on a substantial basis of prosperity. Further, where immediate proximity to a consuming centre makes it possible to combine production with direct retailing the farmer is peculiarly fortunate, and the complaint is less of depressed agriculture than of depressed industry and the consequent contracted purchasing power of the consumer.

"2. Other commodities, such as corn and meat, enjoy no such natural protection or marketing advantages, but are produced in direct competition with oversea farmers. This competition is being met successfully: (a) by those who tend to conform to the practice of the farmers in the New World, by an extensification of methods, taking little more from the land than Nature gives, and in no way seeking to force production; (b) by those who occupy land 'good enough to eat,' which can be relied upon under almost any conditions to give a full return on the capital and labour expended upon it. It is being met with less success by those on certain types of soil, who are seeking to carry on established systems of farming under economic conditions which today leave them no margin on their expenditure.

"3. Apart from commodities, and to a lesser extent, perhaps, of soil types and farming systems, farmers who are able to operate their holdings without recourse to hired labour on any considerable scale are meeting the conditions of the times without difficulty.

SAXON BEADS AND BROOCHES

FINDS IN CEMETERY AT GUILDOWN

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT)

Further discoveries have been made in the Saxon cemetery at Guildown, on the Hog's Back, near Guildford, which is being excavated by Lieutenant-Colonel O. H. North, F.S.A.

The total number of bodies uncovered now reaches 79, but 55 of these were found before Lieutenant-Colonel North took over the work. It is now clear that the earlier Pagan Saxon burials were deeper and had not been reached in the first excavations. Six of these deeper ones have now been discovered, of which four contained grave furniture, but the overlying ones are still a mystery, as they are in all directions and often five or six in the same grave, but with nothing to date them except their teeth, which show them to be ancient.

No. 69 contained the body of a very old woman with no teeth in her head, large flints round the body, and evidence of a shroud or grave-wrapping. No. 75 contained the body of a woman, two fine bronze applied brooches by the right shoulder, with the pins and catches behind them, and a string of 26 coloured beads behind the head. No. 77 contained the body of a woman, a pair of bronze brooches, and a fine faceted, polygonal pendant of rock crystal, an earring with five beads on it, a bronze ring on the left hand, and several pieces of iron too corroded to identify.

No. 78 contained the body of a woman, with a small urn 4¼in. high and 4¼in. across near the head. It was inverted and empty, but very luckily was got out whole. There was a cruciform bronze brooch with an iron pin near it, a bronze belt-buckle with traces of material under it, probably of a belt, a bronze bracelet, and another circular bronze object, possibly a bracelet, with remains of some material inside it, and a remarkably fine string of 39 coloured beads, glass, amber, and pottery, with a bronze disk in the middle. The beads were in position and re-strung as found.

The excavations are still going on, and further discoveries may be expected. All the finds are being deposited in the Guildford Museum.

From The Times of 1830

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A French paper says that the wolves, pressed by hunger, traverse the different points of France in large numbers, and that in the night their howls create much alarm among travellers, and to the inmates of houses in isolated situations.

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We learn from Savoy that the snow on the mountains in that country is not less than 40 feet in depth. The thermometer on the banks of the Arve has fallen as low as 19 degrees. The lake of Morat is entirely frozen over, and that of Neufchatel is partly covered with ice. A young sportsman in that country killed, a few days ago, two eagles that measured 11 feet across from the points of their wings.—*Paris paper.*

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The widow of the unfortunate Louis Paul Courier arrived at Tours a few days ago to make her deposition at the examination of the three men apprehended on the charge of being the murderers of her husband. It would seem that there are some strong circumstances against Madame Courier herself, as she has been committed to prison.—*Galignani's Messenger.*

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THE BURDEN OF TITHE

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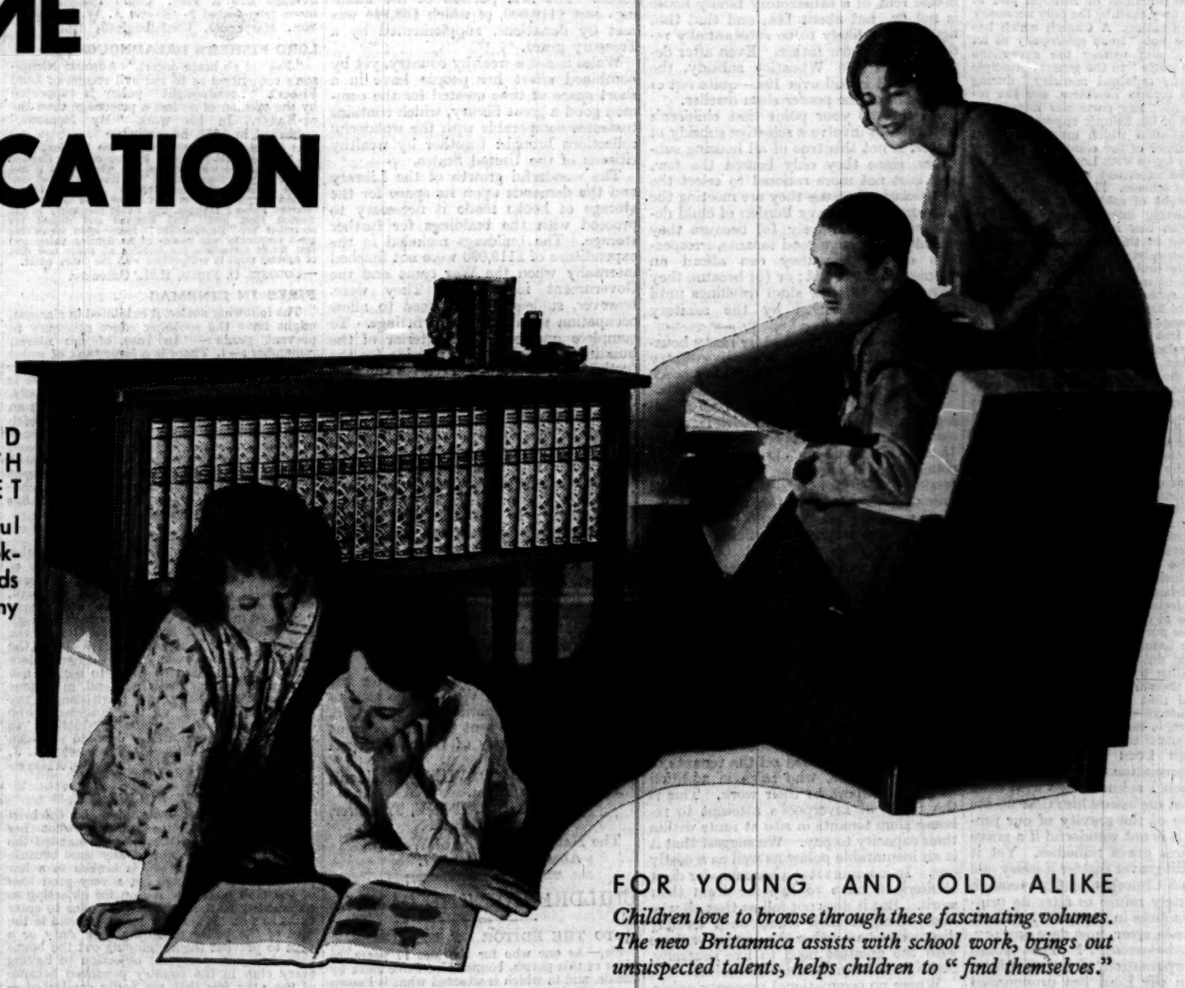

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Letters to the Editor

CHURCHES IN SOUTH INDIA

EFFORTS FOR UNION

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Lord Hugh Cecil's letter in your issue of the 24th raises certain questions of great importance.

(1) He implies in it, and he has elsewhere stated, that the South Indian scheme for union of Churches "treats episcopacy as an open question." The scheme provides that there shall be Bishops in the united Church, and that "continuity with the historic episcopate shall both initially and thereafter be effectively maintained"; that the Bishops shall perform all the historic functions of Bishops, and in particular that they shall be the only necessary ministers of ordination. A Church which has such rules does not "treat episcopacy as an open question," and neither the exceptions proposed to be made "to the general principle of an episcopally ordained ministry" during the lifetime of certain ministers, nor the refusal to insist on "any particular interpretation of the fact of the historic episcopate" can shake the conclusion which must be drawn from the remainder of the constitution.

(2) I entirely agree with Lord Hugh that no opinion need be expressed by the Church of England on the scheme. The Church in India has never thought of asking its opinion. It wishes the existing intercommunion to be maintained, with one restriction, which has always appeared in the scheme. The former ministers of non-episcopal Churches who will be working in the united Church will not thereby be entitled to minister in the Church of England. The scheme cannot alter the rules of the Church of England. In some respects it proposes different rules for the Church of South India. But the independent Churches within the Anglican communion already exhibit differences in teaching and practice. Adherence to the Prayer-book of 1662 is not, even now, demanded of these Churches. Uniformity of doctrine is not a necessary conditon of intercommunion. If it were, how could any Anglicans desire intercommunion with the Roman and Orthodox Churches?

(3) On the other hand, I disagree with Lord Hugh about the Lambeth Conference. Our Church in India decided long ago that before taking the serious step of adopting the South India scheme it would ask the Lambeth Conference, as the assembly of all the Bishops in communion with it, to consider the scheme, and to say whether any of its provisions are wrong from the point of view of Church doctrine or principle. It is one of the oldest functions of Bishops meeting in solemn assemblies to make declarations, when necessary, on doubtful points of doctrine. Bishops are consecrated for this purpose, amongst others. The Bishops of the Lambeth Conference would be shirking a plain duty if they refused to give such advice when formally asked by one of the Churches therein represented. It seems to be assumed that because the Conference has—rightly enough—disclaimed any intention of giving orders, it can refuse to give advice. Morally, that course is not open to it.

Lord Hugh Cecil has expressed a generous appreciation of our movement in India, which I acknowledge with deep gratitude. Let me assure him that we are all well aware of the gravity of our proposals. But it is not wonderful if a grave disease requires grave remedies. Yet it would be a still graver matter if every one of the divided Churches of Christendom should resolutely refuse to alter its principles and practices in any point. Where some must be in error, how dare any say, "We cannot be wrong"? That would mean the perpetuation of our divisions. Against them our Lord has pronounced His judgment by working His characteristic works on both sides of the dividing lines. We must bow to His judgment and exert ourselves to make effective the unity which is His will.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
EDWIN JAMES PALMER, Bishop.
The Garden Club, Jan. 27.

CLEOPATRA'S NEEDLE

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—The death of Mr. Dixon, of Cleopatra's Needle fame, recalls to me the arrival of the famous obelisk in the Thames after its vicissitudes during the voyage from Egypt. The part played by my firm, then Tangye Brothers, in providing the hydraulic jacks utilized in erecting the obelisk, gave particular reason for myself, as a very small boy, to be taken to view it, or such portion as was visible, as it lay in its caisson in mid-stream. Just one top section had been opened up, exposing the upper surface of a very much cleaner monolith than now appears after a lapse of over 50 years in London's atmosphere.

Even to my untutored eyes the ingenuity of the achievement of its removal from Egypt was patent, and the vastness of the progress in the methods of handling great weights was demonstrated by the utilization of only four hydraulic jacks, worked by four men, on the Embankment, in place of the many hundred men aided by mechanical contrivances employed in its original erection in the land of the Pharaohs.

H. LINCOLN TANGYE.
St. Annes Hill, Chertsey, Surrey, Jan. 27.

THE GIANT TORTOISE OF MAURITIUS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—I see in to-day's issue of *The Times* that the giant tortoise of Mauritius is to be preserved at the Natural History Museum.

When I knew it in 1911 it was almost quite blind. It was fed at the expense of my unit, a Sikh battery of the Hong-kong and Singapore Artillery, and was a great favourite with all of us. It used to wallow about in a muddy part of Line Barracks at Port Louis, until a medical officer condemned this as a mosquito-breeding place, and it was ordered to be made good by the authorities that were. The sappers prepared a nice concrete pond for the tortoise, into which it was duly introduced. The tortoise was delighted, and was left swimming about in it. After a time the men rushed up to say that the poor old thing was in distress and could not get out. A fatigue party was quickly organized, and it was carefully "parbuckled" out of the pond. Then somebody had a brain wave. A ramp was made, which enabled it to find its way in and out without assistance. It was very strong. There used to be a photograph of it walking about quite comfortably with a notoriously stout officer of the regiment and two others on its back.

So far as I recall, its diet was chiefly green stuff—lettuce, &c. Although particularly mentioned in the Treaty of 1810, when Mauritius was ceded by the French, the Government, in my time at any rate, gave nothing towards its upkeep.

T. M. WAKEFIELD, Lieutenant-Colonel (R.A., Rtd.).
The Nightingales, Southborough, Kent, Jan. 27.

We are asked to make it plain that the subscription "Devon" to the letter on "Beauty Spots Saved for the Public," published in *The Times* last Monday, was not that of the Earl of Devon, but was a pseudonym intended to indicate the county from which the letter was written. For reasons which were clear in the letter, the writer could not give his own name for publication.

CLEARING THE SLUMS

ALLOWANCES FOR CHILDREN

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—May we reply briefly to your criticisms of the proposal for children's rent rebates? Your leading article regards such rebates as being unnecessary for two main reasons; first, that a satisfactory family house is likely shortly to be able to be built for an economic rent of 6s., and, secondly, that such rebates would involve "selective subsidization of wages out of public funds."

As regards the question of rent, an expert committee of the National Housing and Town Planning Council, after carefully examining the facts, has recently come to the conclusion that the lowest economic rent of a satisfactory family house is not 6s. but about 14s., and that that figure is not likely to be substantially reduced in the near future. Even after deduction of the Wheatley subsidy, the lowest rent is still over 10s.—quite out of the reach of the poorer slum dweller.

As regards your point that children's rent rebates involve a selective subsidy of wages, is not this true of all housing subsidies, since they only benefit the few, and is it not more rational to select the beneficiaries because they are meeting the temporary but heavy burden of child dependency than merely (*a*) because they are likely to prove good tenants, irrespective of whether they can afford an economic rent or not; or (*b*) because they have clung to their slum dwellings until actually dispossessed by the sanitary authority?

Plan (*a*) is that pursued by many housing authorities. It has cost the country vast sums, while failing to meet the needs of the worst-housed and poorest citizens.

Plan (*b*) is that of the Liverpool Housing Committee in connexion with its slum-clearance schemes. Its chairman suggests that the cost is not greater than the country could afford to bear. Let your readers judge for themselves from the following figures. On the two most recently completed Liverpool rehousing schemes the estimated deficits (shared equally between rates and taxes) are roughly £27 and £30 a dwelling per annum for 40 years—*i.e.*, more than double the present amount of the Wheatley subsidy. Yet the House of Commons spent many hours in debating whether the country could afford to retain this at its present figure. The reasons for the high cost are three: Slums usually occupy central sites, where land is expensive; in order to make the best use of the land several-storied dwellings are necessary, and that is a costly form of structure; the rents charged are about half those levied on the tenants of Wheatley houses, who have in addition to pay transport to their work. This is the result of Liverpool's attempt to rehouse slum tenants *in situ* at rents within their capacity to pay. We suggest that it is an inequitable policy as well as a costly one. In a seaport it is a hardship for dock workers to have to live far from their work. But it does not follow that all who have clung to their slums until forcibly dispossessed are either the poorest or those with the greatest need to live centrally. Some do so from sheer conservatism.

Where no occupational necessity exists, it is healthier as well as cheaper to rehouse on the outskirts of the city, and this is especially true of the children. We believe their needs can best be met through rent rebates and we fail to see why these, if properly administered, should demoralize. Are income-tax payers demoralized by receiving rebates for their children? If a reaction on wages is feared, is this not more likely to occur when all the tenants in a large housing area are subsidized than when the subsidy is limited to the temporary period of child dependency? If over-population is feared, does anyone suppose that a woman will bring a child into the world for the sake of getting 1s. 6d. off her rent?

We are yours faithfully,
ELEANOR F. RATHBONE.
E. D. SIMON.
House of Commons, S.W.1, Jan. 24.

DISARMAMENT

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—The chairman and secretary of the Navy League in the letter published in *The Times* on January 27 speak of the "long-continued endeavours of the League of Nations Union" in favour of "unilateral disarmament." You will allow me to state emphatically that unilateral disarmament is not the policy of the union, and, apart from other objections, would not even achieve the end at which we aim. Our policy, advocated consistently since the foundation of the society, is all-round reduction and limitation of armaments by international agreement.

GILBERT MURRAY.
League of Nations Union, 15, Grosvenor-crescent, S.W.1, Jan. 28.

MASTERS OF THE TEMPLE

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—I have read an account in *The Times* of the 22nd inst. of the resignation of the Master of the Temple, the Rev. W. Draper, and also of the old Masters and Readers, which was very interesting to me, having for so many years watched the careers of Master and Reader since 1869, Dr. Vaughan being Master and Canon Ainger Reader. The latter I was most interested in. He came as curate to the Rev. Mr. Hazelhurst, of Alrewas, near Lichfield, three or four years before his appointment as Reader. I was astonished to hear him read the Lessons, the first time he did duty there. Never before or since have I heard such reading—so plain, so powerful, a melodious voice, it was delightful to hear. My brother and I had the very great pleasure of joining him at parties at the rectory (where he lived) and at a private house for musical evenings. Being fond of music the rector invited us to join. The rector and the Rev. Mr. Ainger were wonderful musicians. Mr. Ainger was always the life and pleasure of the parties, full of humour and fun, and also a beautiful singer. I always look on that time as the happiest in my musical life. All the years since first knowing him I have been interested in his work both as Master and Reader, and I was not surprised at his successful, useful life in the high position he attained. I am now in my 91st year and it was such a pleasure to read an account of his wonderful career, having known him so well when a young man.

JOSEPH LILLEY.
The Beeches, Appleby Magna, Burton-on-Trent.

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF WALES

AFTER TWENTY-ONE YEARS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—May we have the hospitality of your columns for a brief statement with regard to the National Library of Wales, which has just completed 21 years of its actual existence, celebrated recently at enthusiastic meetings, influentially attended.

The upkeep of the Library is met by an annual grant voted by Parliament, but we have been required to provide the buildings on the basis of a pound for pound grant from the Treasury for moneys received other than from public funds. The first portion of the buildings cost £119,000, of which £63,944 was met by donations, supplemented by a Treasury grant.

Wales is not a wealthy country, yet by combined effort her people have in a short space of time created for the common good a great library, which contains treasures comparable with the wonderful collections brought together by wealthy citizens of the United States.

The wonderful growth of the Library and the demands upon its space for the storage of books made it necessary to proceed with the buildings for further storage. The buildings included in the expenditure of £119,000 were not finished internally when the War came and the Government intervened. They were, however, sufficiently advanced to allow occupation with temporary fittings. To complete and equip the interior of the buildings erected and to provide for the further book storage involves an expenditure of £77,500, towards which the Government promises a further contribution of £35,000. The response to the appeal for the balance required, which received the warm approval of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, Chancellor of the University of Wales, has been very favourable, but a sum of about £6,000 is still necessary to complete the fund.

We venture to place these facts before the public in the hope that this comparatively small amount will be made up quickly. It is not likely that any further appeal for buildings will be made as the accumulations of the fund bequeathed by the late Sir John Williams, Bt., will in due course meet the cost of further buildings, but under the terms of the Trust this fund is not available for the present emergency. We shall be glad to supply fuller information on application. Donations may be sent to either of us at the National Library of Wales, Aberystwyth.

DAVID DAVIES, President, Llandinam.
H. N. GLADSTONE, Treasurer, Hawarden Castle.
The National Library of Wales, Aberystwyth, Jan. 27.

CHILDREN OF THE CANALS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—As one who for the last 17 years, as vicar of this parish, bounded on three sides by canals, and in which is situated what is known as the Paddington Basin, and who in consequence comes very often into direct touch with barge folk, especially when they wish to be married or to have their children baptized, may I put in a plea on behalf of these families, whose peace and happiness and health is threatened by the Bill which a private member is introducing in the House of Commons this month?

The question of the impossibility of the children who live on the barges obtaining any sort of education is one of the main arguments of the proposer of the Bill. That argument might have carried some weight 20 years ago, but certainly carries none to-day, at least with those who know the facts of the case.

Several years ago a school for these children was established by a retired clergyman, mainly at his own expense, in the parish adjoining this. Since then this school has completely satisfied all the requirements of the education authorities, and has supplied the children while at the canal head with proper schooling. The same facilities are supplied at the other end of the canal at Brentford, and there is also a floating school being established. It would be difficult indeed to prove that the children do not to-day obtain all the education that is really necessary.

On the question of accommodation for living and sleeping on the barges I can also speak from direct knowledge of the conditions. As a member for many years—part of them as chairman—of the Public Health Committee of the Paddington Borough Council, under whose supervision the barges come from time to time, I had before me the reports of our canal-boat inspector. They were always very complete, and only very rarely unsatisfactory. The surroundings were clean and healthy and not, in any way a menace to morality. My own experience of the barge people has convinced me that they are far more healthy and cheerful than very many of those living in tenement houses. It is also quite refreshing to have a glimpse into the easy and happy view of life which their surroundings on the water induce them to take. Why should this be changed? Why should the family life of these people be broken up? Why should the women and children be forced, as they would be in these days of shortage of housing accommodation, to live in some narrow street in some poorly ventilated tenement-house because of an altogether imaginary lack of educational facilities, and because from time to time they may delight to help their parents in managing a barge? I sincerely hope that members of Parliament will hesitate before they allow this Bill to proceed.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
EVERARD HAYNES, Vicar of St. Mary's, Paddington.
The Vicarage, St. Mary's-terrace, W.2, Jan. 23.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Let me relieve Brigadier-General Makins's mind on one point. I will not answer for having read all the reports issued by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children on this question, but I have read what I understood to be the authoritative summary of those reports circulated about a year ago, as well as the articles which have appeared from time to time in the *Child's Guardian*. I am aware that the society is to all intents the author of the extraordinary proposal now brought before Parliament. It was primarily because I failed to find in its publications any adequate justification for the measure that I was induced to trouble you with my letter of the 23rd inst.

I can only echo General Makins's advice to members to read the reports; to weigh the facts recorded in them with the evidence of Government inspectors of the barges, and with that offered by the different religious agencies which have worked among their denizens for years; and then to decide whether the present proposal represents—as any proposal infringing personal freedom and the sanctities of family life is bound to represent—the minimum interference necessary. Above all, let them look in the reports for facts and not for assertions. There is one cry which is recurrent throughout the advocacy of this measure and is distinctly audible in the society's own appeals for it: "The society demands it, and the society cannot err." That is not, I submit, a principle upon which responsible legislators under a free Constitution can fulfil their trust to their constituents.

I am, &c.,
GWENDOLEN CECIL.
Hatfield, Jan. 27.

LEGAL AID FOR THE POOR

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Your generous comment to-day on the voluntary work of solicitors in this connexion will be much appreciated by their branch of the profession. At the same time the success which is attending the movement is primarily due to the care taken by the committee and their staff in the selection of deserving cases and the reduction to a minimum of the risks of disillusionment on the part of those who have the conduct of them. With the experience of three divorce suits brought by young women in hard circumstances, the impression left on my mind is that it has been a privilege to see them through.

GRAY'S INN.
January 27.

Points from Letters

PENSIONS IN THE SERVICES

Let us have equality of treatment among the fighting Services by all means. Temporary commissions were granted to pensioned Warrant and N.C. Officers of the Royal Marines (and equivalent ratings in the Royal Navy) during the War, some of whom had been pensioners for a considerable period. These officers eventually received retired pay at from £250 to £300 a year according to the rank attained by them as officers. Among them were men who received Army commissions from the Royal Marines. The Army W.O. or N.C.O. similarly commissioned reverted to his pre-War status for pension, even those who held such commissions in the Royal Marines. Others actually serving at the outbreak of the War were discharged to pension, commissioned, and then retired on the pension of their Warrant or N.C.O. rank held before the War, having served continuously for 20-30 years. Their pensions average £75 a year. Could inequality be more pronounced?—MAJOR A. W. HARRINGTON, Marygold, Chandlersford, Hants.

LORD FISHER'S DREADNOUGHTS

"Fas est ab hoste doceri." Admiral Nicholson's contention as to the evil results of Lord Fisher's "Dreadnought" policy is supported by the opinion of no less a personage than the ex-Kaiser. In his work "My Memoirs," published in 1922, he wrote:—

> At the first conference regarding the introduction of the "Dreadnought" type of fighting ship by England I set once agreed with Admiral von Tirpitz that it had robbed all pre-"Dreadnoughts" of their value and consigned them to the scrapheap. . . . Admiral von Tirpitz remarked that, as soon as the other nations had followed Fisher's example, this would also apply to the English Fleet itself; that England and robbed her enormous pre-"Dreadnought" force—upon which her great superiority was based—of its fighting value, and that would necessitate her building an entire new fleet of fighting ships in competition with the entire world.

—COLONEL C. FIELD, R.M., Gateacre.

FIRES IN CINEMAS

The following notice, if exhibited in cinemas, might have the soothing effect necessary to prevent panic:—"In case of fire alarm, remember:—1. There is a large tank of water just over the film-box ready for immediate use (or some such positive proof that there is no real danger). 2. If you keep your seats, you will get your money back within half an hour." No. 1 shows the precautions which have been taken. No. 2 proves the confidence of the management in these precautions, and appeals to a wish common to all disappointed people. The combined effect might prevent that fatal rush to the doors. It is a psychological problem.—LIEUTENANT-GENERAL SIR ALEX. H. GORDON, Chalfont St. Giles.

OPERA AT THE SCALA THEATRE

The brave attempt to give the British public some measure of historical survey of the growth of opera has apparently not been a financial success. I trust that you will, nevertheless, allow some who are deeply interested in musical effort to express through your columns their keen appreciation of the performances at the Scala Theatre during the first weeks of the year. That we need more preliminary cooperative effort to secure that such undertakings shall not end in serious loss is obvious, but this is a criticism of the public rather than of the musicians, who deserve our gratitude for productions to which they had manifestly devoted so much thought and enthusiasm.—PROFESSOR H. J. FLEURE, University College of Wales, Aberystwyth.

CLUBS AND THE POLICE

If your correspondent Mrs. L. Gilchrist Thompson will try to imagine what her feelings would be if the police demanded the right to enter her home at any time because it is known that the law is broken in a few private houses, she will get a very good idea of the club members' reason for objecting so strenuously to the right of the police to enter clubs at will. It is not a desire to stand in the way of the police executing their duty or a wish to prevent them stamping out the bogus club, but just a natural objection to having every club in the country penalized because of the very few that are badly conducted.—Mr. W. GRACEY, Dulwich, S.E.22.

TREE PLANTING

I trust that Professor G. M. Trevelyan's plea at the Guildhall, Cambridge, on Saturday for the planting of deciduous trees will receive wide notice. I have seen many noble trees—oak, elm, and beech—laid low in these parts by the recent gales, and have been distressed to find no young ones growing up to take their places. With the continuous breaking up of large estates I fear that we can look less and less to individuals—and to Nature—to carry out this planting, but I hope that public bodies, especially those to whose care are committed large tracts of land in the interests of the preservation of natural beauty, will regard this work as a part, and an important part, of their duties.—Mr. J. A. HILLMAN, Ashtead, Surrey.

BROKEN CHINA

Since my letter on "Broken China" was published in *The Times* I have received many letters from experts and others. As a result of this correspondence I have had to abandon the theory of the growth of crystals as the cause of the phenomenon, the substance I mistook for crystals proving to be an accumulation of glaze which had found its way into the cavity in the stem of the dessert-dish at the time of glazing. The possibility of vibration, or sudden change of temperature, being ruled out in my case, the only feasible solution of the mystery which I have yet received is that of the director of a well-known firm of potters who tells me that a porcelain vessel sometimes acquires an inherent strain in the course of manufacture which causes it subsequently to break with a report like that of a pistol. He seems, however, to see considerable difficulty in believing that a vessel can retain this disruptive impulse for a quarter of a century, which is the lowest estimate I can put on the age of my dessert service.—Mr. HUGH GOODACRE, Ullesthorpe Court, near Rugby.

THE CINEMA IN EDUCATION

The pictures which supplement the author's text in modern school history books are surely there for the sole purpose of firing the child's imagination and helping to fix more vividly in his mind various events. How much more scope then for living pictures, which, far from being a "sensational photographic representation of a historical event," would be able to depict whole sequences of events, much of which in print might make the dullest reading for the ordinary child. The field of the cinema in this particular direction, as in others, is unbounded.—Mr. JOHN NICHOLSON, 44, Porchester-square, W.2.

ETIQUETTE IN LETTERS

I have a little book entitled "The Science of Etiquette," published in 1836, in which the following rules, amongst others, are given for the guidance of letter-writers:—"Always remember that the terms of compliment at the close of a letter, 'I have the honour to be your very obedient servant,' &c., are merely *forms, signifying nothing*. Do not therefore avoid them on account of pride or dislike to the person addressed. Do not presume, as some do, to found expectations of favour or promotion from great men who profess themselves your obedient servant. In writing a letter of business it is extremely vulgar to use satin or glazed gold-edged paper. Place the date at the top of the page. In letters, not on business, to gentlemen, always place the date at the end of the letter. To a person, whom you do not know well, say 'Sir,' not 'Dear Sir.' It formerly was usual in writing to a distinguished man to employ the form 'Respected Sir,' or something of that kind. This is now obsolete."—ELOISE I. BURY, Dysart, Budleigh Salterton.

SIR GODFREY KNELLER

The attitude of present-day criticism towards the work of Sir Godfrey Kneller is displayed by your Art Critic when, in speaking of a Kneller portrait, he says that it "is unusually inspired for the artist." With every diffidence, may one suggest that it is time this man's own work should be more differentiated from the mass, which at best was "touched" by him? Doubtless there are a good many pictures by Kneller as fine as that which surprised your critic by its inspiration. To give one easily seen instance, the Marquess of Tweeddale in our National Gallery is very fine. Kneller drawings too can be very distinguished.—FRANCES L. EVANS, 6, Hornton-court, W.8.

TRANSPORT IN LONDON

Among the various suggestions contained in Mr. H. J. Leaning's letter Paddington, Waterloo, Euston, and Liverpool-street are proposed as the group termini of the main-line railways; all others are to go. To the lay mind it occurs that traffic congestion on the roads leading to these termini would be very materially increased, even with the removal of suburban traffic, unless the streets adjacent were also replanned at the same time. Suburban peak loads usually operate morning and evenings only. Main-line peaks can be expected according to time-tables arranged by the companies. Consider school leaving and starting periods, race meetings, summer holidays, Bank Holidays, &c., and their present effect on the traffic in the vicinity of 15 termini, and imagine that load thrust on to the streets surrounding the proposed four. Doubtless this has been considered by the London Society. Might we know how they proposed to deal with that question?—Mr. H. H. GLANFIELD, Hampstead, N.W.3.

A NATIONAL CAST MUSEUM

IMPROVEMENTS AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT)

The proposals of the recent Royal Commission on the National Museums include, as is well known, the formation of a cast museum for the comparative study of sculpture. The congested assemblies of casts in Bloomsbury and the Victoria and Albert Museum should, the Commissioners urge, be turned to use, but the centre of the new National Cast Museum is tentatively fixed at the Crystal Palace, where (states the Report) "since the casts have been cleaned and rearranged, there is now a well-exhibited collection." Fresh attention was drawn to this nucleus group of casts a few days ago at the annual general meeting of the Crystal Palace Trustees. "Restorations on the art side," remarked the general manager, "are proceeding. The architectural courts and statuary are now really worth inspection."

A visit to the Crystal Palace on a week-day untroubled by circuses or dog shows certainly confirms at first sight the accounts given of the casts' cleaning and rearrangement, but the place is obviously far from being thronged with students. Since the War Museum left the Crystal Palace in 1923 it is estimated that £11,500 has been spent on the casts to counteract the dirt and neglect into which they had fallen since the outbreak of the War and even earlier. The large architectural courts, the Alhambra Court and the Egyptian Court, for instance, have now quite a cheerful look under their coats of new paint, and the painted and panelled Renaissance ceilings repay their special lighting. It is true that part of the Renaissance Court is now enclosed in a small dance hall and the Assyrian Court has completely disappeared. The Pompeiian Court, too, is not open to the public, but has still to have its crumbling paint and plaster tackled. But given limited funds, the trustees have been wise in making sure that the restoration was carried out well and piecemeal rather than hurriedly and roughly.

With this to their credit, however, the administration might surely have carried their good intentions further. It can hardly be on grounds of expense that the individual statues outside the courts have still something of the fortuitous air of an auction jumble. Why is Mr. Gladstone still shown staring so indignantly at the back of "Venus caressing a dove," and why is a medieval St. Peter from Cologne still allowed to threaten a cheaply finished sun-dial from a bee-keeping exhibition? Prince Eugene standing out in the middle of the floor must perhaps continue to be ogled by the mechanical "Mademoiselle Yvonne," who tells fortunes for a penny in the slot. Here the incongruity is due to the double function of the Crystal Palace as a some-time art gallery and a present-day place of amusement. But there is no need for anachronisms in the juxtaposition of the works of art themselves.

NEED OF RELABELLING

While a rearrangement of the casts is desirable, a more pressing need is that of better labelling, coupled with the issue of a descriptive catalogue. The present small handbook to the Crystal Palace certainly mentions the casts of such outstanding works as the fine Gothic tracery from Ely, Lincoln, and Winchester Cathedrals, but there is little advantage in naming some 30 or so works among perhaps 3,000. The art student, if he is to be tempted to Sydenham, must know both what is in this cast museum and what is not. The layman must have some annotations to the history and styles of the artists represented and some account of the details of costume or design. There exist in the archives of the Crystal Palace copies of the original handbooks written by the experts of 1854. Their information may often need to be corrected by modern scholarship, but it should form an excellent starting point.

Moreover, even in this vast hall, a little weeding-out is necessary. The examples of antique and medieval work are for the most part unique casts, obtained through the good offices of Prince Albert and Lord Malmesbury by the original organizers in the mid-19th century. The antique examples are well designed, though the Temple of Karnak is dwarfed in scale to harmonize with its neighbours. But there is a surplus of Victorian sculptors and a small accretion of more recent works, selected apparently upon no principle other than that it was offered as a gift.

Some separate treatment, apart from artistic merit, must, in any case, be given to the apparently endless series of portrait busts concealed in the upper gallery. Some of the contributions to this extraordinary Dictionary of International Biography have become amusingly confused on their plinths. It is hard to know what a bust of Hawkshaw the 18th-century theologian is doing upon a support labelled on one side with the name of Napoleon I. and on the other with that of the present Queen, then Duchess of York. A representation of an unidentified painter is labelled upon one side "Goethe," on the other with the name of an eminent 19th-century citizen of Bombay. Expert advice will be necessary if this gallery is to be sorted.

The Royal Commissioners made their report on the Cast Museum a little tentative, yet it would be extravagant to allow so remarkable a collection as exists at the Crystal Palace to fall again into decay, and it is certainly wasteful to allow it to exist in a state of muddle.

SYON PARK SEWAGE SCHEME

TWICKENHAM RATEPAYERS' PROTEST

A resolution was passed unanimously at the annual meeting of the Twickenham Ratepayers' Association in the Library Hall, Twickenham, urging the Middlesex County Council to abandon the scheme to acquire Syon Park for sewage purposes.

One of the speakers was Mr. J. RAMSBOTHAM, Keeper of Botany at the British Museum, who remarked that an up-to-date sewage system they must have, and if Syon Park was the only place that could be used, then, in face of all the opposition, they must have Syon Park. There was no getting away from the fact that they must pay the price for the way they lived together. But there must be many places in Middlesex where they could have a sewage disposal farm equally effective to the one proposed at Syon. It might seem paradoxical, but to some of them the best view in Kew Gardens was not in Kew Gardens; it was across the river, and was an all-the-year-round view. It was the only piece of untouched England he knew of within many miles of Richmond or Twickenham. If sewage works were made there it was quite obvious there must be some sort of concrete enclosure to prevent the water getting into the sewage farm. They should strive in every way to prevent the project at Syon House, which, if it was not necessary, was simple desecration.

MRS. PANKHURST'S STATUE

UNVEILING BY MR. BALDWIN ON MARCH 6

The casting of Mrs. Pankhurst's statue, which is to be unveiled by Mr. Baldwin on March 6 in Victoria Tower-gardens, has now been completed. Tickets for the ceremony are being sent to all subscribers to the Memorial Fund. In case of any oversight application should be made to the hon. secretary, or hon. treasurer, Lady Rhondda, 15, Gayfere-street, Westminster, S.W.1.

The dedication by the Bishop of Barking of the headstone over Mrs. Pankhurst's grave in Brompton Cemetery has been postponed to June 14, the anniversary of her death.

OLD SOUTHWARK COTTAGES TO BE DEMOLISHED

A number of cottages in Union-road, Southwark, believed to be a century old, have been closed for demolition. Union-road was formerly known as Horsemonger-lane, and derived its name from Horsemonger gaol for debtors and criminals of the county of Surrey. The last public execution took place in 1849, when a man named Manning and his wife were hanged outside the prison, a short distance from the cottages. According to local records more than 50,000 people were present at the execution. Leigh Hunt was imprisoned there on a charge of libelling the Prince Regent in 1813.

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OMNIBUS STOPPING PLACES

The Minister of Transport announces that with a view to the improvement of traffic conditions at congested points, after consulting the London and Home Counties Traffic Advisory Committee, he has decided on alterations in the stopping places for omnibuses and tramcars at the under-mentioned places:—

Bromley Common junction with Southlands-road (St. Luke's Church); Bromley-road junction with Beckenham-lane; Burdett-road and Grove-road junction with Mile End-road; Camden-road junction with Brecknock-road; East-road junction with City-road; Edgware-road, London, at (a) Kingsbury-road, (b) Colin Deep-lane, (c) Colindale-avenue, (d) Burnt Oak; Goyre-road junction with Rosendale-road; Earl of Aberdeen P.H.; Kensington-road at Palace Gate; Kilburn High-road at Kilburn and Brondesbury Metropolitan Station; Mare-street junction with King Edward's-road, Hackney; Peckham Rye junction with Barry-road; Whitechapel High-street, Gardiner's Corner.

These alterations will be put into operation to-day.

MISS BONDFIELD ON CHILDREN IN INDUSTRY

Miss MARGARET BONDFIELD, Minister of Labour, speaking at Burnley on Saturday night, said that women were deeply concerned with the reorganization of industry, by which it was hoped existing difficulties would be overcome. In the present transitional stage of industry young people were badly in need of guidance. Through the Juvenile Advisory Committees, which she hoped to see greatly strengthened this year, they were able to give vocational guidance to a limited extent. If children were to go into mechanized industry, where skilled handiwork was replaced by machines, they needed a clear understanding of the right use of leisure, in order to develop the initiative which was no longer called forth in the industry in which they made their living.

CHARING CROSS BRIDGE

BOROUGH COUNCILS' ATTITUDE

UNDERGROUND CHANGES

The proposed Charing Cross Bridge was the subject of several questions at yesterday's meeting of the London County Council, over which Lord Monk Bretton, the chairman, presided.

ADMIRAL HUNTER asked the chairman of the Improvements Committee whether the statement that the Westminster City Council had been entirely disregarded in reference to the Charing Cross Bridge Bill was true; whether Westminster was petitioning against the measure; whether the work proposed in connexion with the Charing Cross District Railway Station involved alterations to the position of the platforms or only to the booking offices; and whether the works at the Strand station meant diversion of the line or surface alterations only?

SIR PERCY SIMMONS replied that the Minister of Transport and representatives of the Improvements Committee met a deputation from the Westminster City Council on November 4. On the question of the provision for road improvements beyond the Cavell Statue, the Minister of Transport, with the Council's concurrence, was in communication with the city council. The latest date for lodging petitions in the House of Commons was February 12, and information would then be available as to the petitions (if any) which had been deposited. The platforms at Charing Cross Underground were to be extended in a south-westerly direction, and modifications would be made to the booking offices and above-ground structures. The scheme involved no alteration to the platforms or the railway at the Strand station. Improved escalator access was proposed.

Replying to another question, Sir Percy Simmons said that no exact date could be given as to when the model of the Charing Cross Bridge would be available for members. It was hoped, however, that the model would be completed within the next few weeks. If the model was not wanted immediately on completion for Parliamentary purposes he would try to arrange for its exhibition at the County Hall.

In reply to the REV. A. G. PRICHARD, SIR PERCY SIMMONS said that the Council had been informed by the Lambeth Borough Council that it had been decided to lodge a formal petition against the Charing Cross Bridge Bill. With regard to a recent letter of Sir Banister Fletcher to the Press, he did not wish to add anything to the report of the Improvements Committee last week and the statement he made in the Council, except that the decision to prepare a model of the scheme was not in any way to be attributed to Sir Banister Fletcher's speech in his inaugural address at the Royal Institute of British Architects on November 4, and that the Improvements Committee had already decided that in due course the Council should be advised to obtain designs for the scheme by open competition. The Minister of Transport and he were receiving representatives of the Lambeth Council on Thursday.

FIVE YEARS' PROGRAMME

MR. E. G. CULPIN asked whether any agreement had been come to with the Ministry of Transport as to priority in carrying out improvement schemes within the County of London; and what was the position at the present time, so far as the Council was concerned, of the proposal for a five years' programme for London?

SIR PERCY SIMMONS said that consideration of the matter had not yet been completed. It had been in abeyance for some time owing to great pressure of work in connexion with the Charing Cross Bridge and other important improvement schemes. The Improvements Committee had not yet been able to deal with the question of a five years' programme. The matter would be dealt with as speedily as circumstances would permit.

On a report of the Special Committee on Unemployment, MR. PERCY HARRIS drew attention to the fact that in January, 1929, 76,302 men were on the live unemployment register at the London exchanges. For the present month the figures were 83,461. He hoped that with the transfer of Public Assistance to the London County Council those figures might go down. There were still improvements to be made in London which would be of benefit, and add to its wealth. The river needed improving, and the Embankment walls raising as a protection against flood. There were road and railway communications which needed attention. He hoped that something might be done to bring forward schemes which would have the effect of reducing such figures.

SIR WILLIAM RAY said he was unable to see that the Council could have done much more. They had been able to join with the Government in four large schemes, and the General Purposes Committee the day before decided that they would go forward with three or four more of a similar kind. As soon, however, as any big scheme was put forward it was immediately assailed, as the Charing Cross Bridge scheme had been. Mr. Harris would neither bless it nor curse it, but took up the attitude of leaving it alone.

MR. HARRIS.—I am going to vote for the second reading in the House because I want something done.

At the instance of MR. W. C. JOHNSON, Miss Rosamond Smith undertook to make representations to the British Board of Film Censors, with a view to securing the addition of the word "only" to the "A" certificate so as to make it read "for public exhibition to adult audiences only."

MR. JOHN PERRING informed Mr. J. P. Blake that drawings had been prepared and bills of quantities were being taken out in connexion with the building of Section "D" of County Hall. He hoped it would be possible to report on February 11 with regard to tenders. According to present arrangements, it should be possible to begin work in June.

FLOOD PREVENTION WORKS

MRS. HARRY DAY asked the chairman of the Main Drainage Committee whether he had received a communication from the Borough of Southwark on the danger of floods caused by the rise in the level of the Thames. Had the Council taken any steps to expedite the necessary work to the Embankment walls of the river for the purpose of preventing a recurrence of the serious damage which occurred during the floods of 1928?

MR. J. C. DALTON replied in the affirmative. The letter was dated December 11 and spoke of the rise in the level of the River Thames consequent on the recent gales. The highest levels reached during the preceding two months were 2ft. 6in. at Hammersmith and 3ft. 3in. at Waterloo Bridge below the standard level of the flood protection works. This month the tide rose to 1ft. 4in. below standard level at Hammersmith and 2ft. 8in. at Waterloo Bridge. The Council had taken steps to expedite necessary improvements. Works specified or approved by the Council had been carried out to the banks of 304 premises on the river front. Works had been specified or approved on a further 46 premises. The results of the progress made was that all banks on the Thames within the county damaged by the flood of January, 1928, had been made good and other banks had been strengthened where that had been found necessary. In addition, the question of the future standards of flood protection works had been considered and discussed with representatives of other authorities concerned, and a report would shortly be made to the Council.

In reply to Mr. JOHN SPEAKMAN, MR. C. W. MATTHEWS said that he anticipated that the original estimated net surplus of £40,899 from tramway revenue for 1929-30 would be exceeded.

MARKING OF IMPORTED MACHINERY BELTING

The Standing Committee under the Merchandise Marks Act have reported in favour of an Order respecting imported machinery belting (including conveyor and elevated bands) other than belting of metal. It is essential, they say, that the method of marking shall be of such a character that it can be readily checked by the Customs authorities without risk of injury to the goods or delay to trade. The Committee think that the case will be met by requiring the indication of origin to be indelibly marked on a label securely attached to each coil by a band, the ends of which are brought together in a lead seal. Where the belting is recoiled in the United Kingdom into smaller coils, or is cut into strips or shorter lengths before being sold or exposed for sale, they consider that each portion sold or exposed for sale should bear a label marked with an indication of origin, securely attached to the coil or belting, and also that where any portion of belting is sold from a coil or roll a label bearing the indication of origin should remain attached to the coil or roll from which it is sold. The report is published by H.M. Stationery Office (Cmd. 3475, price 3d.).

AMSTERDAM AND MOSCOW

I.L.P.'S MOVE FOR FUSION OF INTERNATIONALS

(FROM OUR LABOUR CORRESPONDENT)

The Independent Labour Party is resuming its endeavour to bring about the fusion of the Socialist and Communist Internationals. Acting on its own responsibility as a body separately affiliated to the Socialist International and without consulting the Labour Party, it has informed the Socialist Parties of Europe that it is taking the initiative in preparing definite proposals.

When a similar resolution came before the Socialist International in 1926 it was rejected by 247 votes to three. Notwithstanding this overwhelming defeat the I.L.P. is to try again. In doing so it will once more display on the European stage the divergence of its opinions and policies from those of the Labour Party—a divergence which tends to become more marked in this country on questions of domestic policy.

When the National Administrative Council of the I.L.P. came to this decision is not made known, and the first intimation of it has come from abroad. In a letter dated from London on January 6 the Secretary of the party makes known that the N.A.C. has adopted the following resolution:—

The National Council of the Independent Labour Party again directs the attention of the working-class parties in all countries throughout the world to the clamant need for unification of the workers' forces within one all-inclusive International.

The continuing exploitation of subject and oppressed races by policies of Imperialism, the increasing internationalism of capitalism, the menace of Fascism, and the ever-present danger of war render imperative the creation of an International which shall combine all sections of the workers' movement, not only among the white peoples, but including the workers of all countries, irrespective of race or colour.

The council believes that the bitter experiences of the workers everywhere since this appeal was first made in 1927 have strengthened enormously the forces working for unification.

It resolves, therefore, to take the initiative in preparing and urging definite proposals for achieving international unity upon the L.S.I., in the confident belief that these proposals will meet with a ready response in many sections of the world working-class movement.

The letter also states that the N.A.C. appointed a sub-committee consisting of Mr. J. Maxton, M.P., Mr. P. J. Dollan, Miss Jewson, Mr. A. Fenner Brockway, and Mr. Paton (the secretary), "to formulate proposals to give effect to the resolution," and that the proposals are to come before the next meeting of the council.

SUBSIDIES FOR MOTOR VEHICLES

WAR OFFICE SCHEME

The War Office is inviting applications to fill vacancies in its scheme for subsidizing motor vehicles. Vehicles eligible for the subsidy are rigid-framed six-wheeled ones built to the War Department chassis specification. They are equipped with pneumatic tires and are of the following makes and types:—Albion (S.K.31); Crossley (I.G.L.3); Guy (B.A.X.); Karrier (W.O.6), (R.M.6) and (F.M.6); Leyland (Terrier); and Thornycroft (A.3) and (A.5).

A vehicle of each type has been submitted to exhaustive tests as to stability and performance, under War Department scrutiny, to ensure reliability under all conditions of service. Owing to their capacity for cross-country work, the vehicles are particularly suitable for loading on almost any condition of ground, thus saving double handling of the load. Detailed particulars of the vehicles may be obtained from the makers. Practically any type of goods-carrying body is acceptable; but where special trade requirements necessitate an abnormal body, the chassis can be enrolled without the body.

The subsidy agreement gives the War Department a right to purchase the vehicle if it is required during a national emergency. There is no obligation to hire to the Department at any time.

The subsidy offered is £120, payable half-yearly in advance by six instalments, the first being paid on enrolment. A vehicle being acquired by hire purchase can be enrolled under the scheme; in this case the agreement provides for the subsidy paid to the legal owner being credited to the hire-purchaser as received.

Further information will be supplied on personal or written application to the Chief Inspector of Subsidized Transport, Hyde Park Barracks, London, S.W.7, or to one of the Area Inspectors of Subsidized Transport, whose addresses are:—For Scotland and Northern Ireland, 50, Wellington-street, Glasgow (tel., Central 1325); for Midlands and Northern England, 52, Corporation-street, Manchester (tel., Central 8444); for West of England and Wales, 84, Park-street, Bristol (tel., Bristol 7728).

"COOPERATIVE" TRADING CONCERNS

LONG DEBATE OVER A WORD

For more than two hours yesterday a Standing Committee of the House of Commons discussed a provision restricting the use of the word "cooperative" in its application to trading concerns which is contained in the Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment) Bill introduced by Mr. David Grenfell (Gower, Lab.).

SIR HENRY CAUTLEY (East Grinstead, U.) said the proposal would give a very unfair monopoly of the use of the word "cooperative" to what was generally known as the Cooperative Movement. This would prove detrimental to the interests of the agricultural and fishing industries, who were hoping by future cooperative enterprise to raise themselves out of the slough of despond into which they had fallen.

MR. WOMERSLEY (Grimsby, U.) urged that the Cooperative Movement was sufficiently protected by the Companies Act against the intrusion of spurious concerns. He moved to omit from the Bill the sub-section embodying the proposed restriction.

MR. GRENFELL contended that the cooperative activities of the agricultural and fishing industries would not be affected by the Bill, as there was no intention of interfering with existing societies. The object of the proposed restriction was to stop the formation of fraudulent companies.

SIR GEORGE HAMILTON (Ilford, U.) ridiculed the proposal, and said that fraud would not be stopped by merely restricting the use of particular words.

MR. PETHICK-LAWRENCE (Financial Secretary to the Treasury) denied that the proposal conferred any monopoly in the ordinary sense. Anyone could join the Cooperative Movement.

Mr. Womersley's amendment was rejected by 20 votes to 12, and the Committee adjourned until to-morrow.

£1,500 NECKLACE STOLEN FROM SHOP WINDOW

MAN CHASED AND CAUGHT BY MESSENGER

Shortly after 4 p.m. yesterday the window of Messrs. James Robert Ogden and Sons, Limited, 41, Duke-street, Piccadilly, was smashed by a man, who used a brick wrapped in cloth. Putting his hand through the hole he snatched at a rope of pearls, valued at £1,500, cutting his wrist rather badly. He ran away, but was closely followed by Leslie Blakie, a messenger, aged 18, of Lollard-street, Lambeth, who is employed at a boot shop opposite, and by one of Messrs. Ogden's assistants.

The messenger overtook the fugitive in Mason's-yard, Piccadilly, and after a struggle overpowered him and held him until the arrival of a policeman. Part of the necklace, containing 102 pearls, was still in his possession. The man was taken to Vine-street police station, and will appear at Marlborough-street Police Court to-day on a charge of stealing the necklace.

At the opening on Saturday of the new premises of the Irish Literary Society at 39, Grosvenor-place, S.W.1, a portrait in oils of the nonagenarian president, Mr. Richard Ashe King, painted by his wife, a sister of Field-Marshal Sir Claud Jacob, was unveiled and presented.

BRADFORD SHOP MURDER

ACCUSED MAN'S ALLEGED STATEMENT

William Warne, 44, greengrocer, of Baildon Green, near Shipley, again appeared before the magistrates at Bradford yesterday on the charge of murdering Mrs. Edith Buckton, 39, at her shop in Wakefield-road, Bradford, on the night of December 30-31.

Mrs. Buckton, who was known to some people in the district as Mrs. Warne, was found lying dead under a rug and some sacks in an unfurnished upper room at the rear of her shop. Her skull had been shattered by blows from some heavy blunt instrument.

Mr. W. H. Leathem, solicitor, who appeared for the Director of Public Prosecutions, stated that there was an admission in the case which was corroborated by a volume of circumstantial evidence, but as it was made to a witness—a woman—who became to some extent an accomplice after the fact, that evidence could not be placed before the Court with that reliance attaching to an ordinary witness. In addition, the terms of admission were not such as could be accepted by the prosecution. The prisoner, while admitting that he killed the woman, described himself as having committed that act in a different manner from the way in which the prosecution believed it to have been committed.

Describing the career of Mrs. Buckton, Mr. Leatham said that she married a man named Buckton, who was 25 years older than she was. The marriage was unhappy, and she left him in 1921, and lived with another man. After the death of the second man she went to Sheffield, where, in 1924, she met Warne, who had a wife still living. Warne and Mrs. Buckton lived together fairly happily at Sheffield. In 1927 they came to Bradford and took the shop where the crime was committed. On October 3, 1927, Warne went through a form of marriage with her at Bradford Register Office.

Afterwards the couple began to quarrel, and on November 13 last Mrs. Buckton called in the police and had Warne excluded from the house and shop, as the tenancy was in her name. Warne went to live with his sister at Baildon Green. He then began to molest Mrs. Buckton in the streets. Once he threatened to "do her in." On December 29 Mrs. Buckton had a schoolgirl from one of the neighbouring houses to sleep with her. Had she not taken this step she might have met her death a night earlier than she did.

The police entered the premises on December 31 by means of a broken window which, it was suggested, was also used by Warne. They found Mrs. Buckton in a back upper bedroom of the shop. She was lying face downwards on a mattress. Her partly clothed body was covered with rugs, and her skull was fractured in two places, evidently by blows from a heavy blunt instrument. In the front bedroom was a pile of feathers such as would come from a pillow. The feathers were bloodstained and there were stains on a quantity of material which had come from the mattress. The corners of the mattress had been, apparently, cut away. In the kitchen downstairs pillow cases and a bolster, apparently recently washed, were hanging up to dry.

Mr. Leathem said that it was suggested that the murderer was concealed in the house while Mrs. Buckton was out during the evening, and that after she had returned home and gone to bed, probably while she was asleep, the murderer caught her by the throat with his left hand, and then struck her two blows on the forehead, fracturing her skull. It was suggested that the blows were caused by a 4lb. weight kept on the counter in the shop.

Mr. Leathem added that certain articles of clothing, including a georgette dress, a navy blue dress and coat, a fox fur, and a hat, were missing from the premises. Four photographs were also missing. A quantity of charred cardboard was found on the premises, so that apparently the photographs had been burned. His suggestion was that Warne went back to his sister's house at Baildon Green in the early hours of the morning and spent the night at the shop washing some articles and burning others.

When asked by his sister where he had been, he said that Mrs. Buckton had sent for him. He went on to say:—"She started singing and screaming in my face. I turned to her sharp and she picked up a weight and threw it at me. I picked up another weight and she ran upstairs and I hit her with it. I waited to see if she came round, but she did not."

That statement, said Mr. Leathem, did not agree with the state of affairs as found by the police. The evidence about the clothing was not consistent with the prisoner's story, and any screaming inside the shop would have been heard by neighbours. Later in the day, Mr. Leathem went on, Warne was seen by his sister to be burning a pair of old boots and she saw him with a parcel and a suitcase. She took possession of the suitcase, tore it open, and burned the contents, which were two dresses, a coat, and a fur.

Referring to the alleged motive for the murder, Mr. Leathem said: "Warne bore a strong grudge against Mrs. Buckton. His motive was almost one of revenge. He regarded her as the cause of his downfall and declining business. She tricked him into going through a form of marriage and into getting the shop premises transferred to her name."

Evidence was called for the prosecution, and the hearing was adjourned until to-day.

A SCOTTISH RAILWAY COLLISION

REPORT BY MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT

The railway accident on the L.M.S. at Lesmahagow, Lanarkshire, on October 16, when a 20-ton brake van broke away from a goods train and, after being derailed, was run into by a passenger train, was the subject yesterday of a report by Colonel A. C. Trench, of the Ministry of Transport. The driver and firemen of the passenger train were slightly injured, while five passengers suffered from slight injury or shock.

The cause of the breakage of the coupling was a small patch of faulty welding, and Colonel Trench expresses the view that it was unlikely that the flaw could have been detected on inspection. Attention is drawn to regulations which provide that a guard must be in the brake van to attend to the brakes when a train is set back at Alton Heights, but Guard Craik, after getting the signal from Signalman Allan to set back, passed the signal to his driver, and then ran alongside the train, and was 14 wagon lengths from the van when the train came to a standstill.

Craik saw that the van was separated from the train, but thought that it was stationary, and went up the embankment to attract the attention of the signalman and the driver. The van started downhill, and Allan passed the alarm to the signalman at Lesmahagow, who, "with commendable promptitude," set the road for the loop to catch the runaway and rushed out with the red flag to warn the passenger train. The van passed him at 40 miles an hour. When the passenger train emerged from the tunnel it passed the home signal, which was at danger, before striking the van.

"Both Allan and Craik are to blame for neglect to carry out the prescribed regulations, of which they were well aware," the report comments. "This is a typical case of a regulation to enforce a safety precaution which may be unnecessary nine times out of 10, and the accident shows the result of disregarding the regulation."

THE HULL DRAIN ACCIDENT

The inquest on the bodies of the three workmen who were gassed in a drain at Hull on January 21 was opened yesterday at Hull. Their names were ALFRED DUNN, aged 28, CHARLES PURCELL, 37, and WILLIAM ALEX CURRIE, 58.

Dunn was the first to enter an inspection chamber 13ft. deep and 2ft. 6in. wide. He was gassed, and Purcell and Currie lost their lives in efforts to save him. The CORONER paid a tribute to the heroism displayed.

Evidence was given that the deaths took place on the site of a new cemetery, where drainage work was in progress. The drains, however, were as yet unconnected with the main sewer.

The CORONER stated that the technical investigation into the source of the gas had not been completed, and adjourned the inquiry. He had, he said, invited the Home Office and the Ministry of Health to be represented in the proceedings at a later date.

The Urban Council of Sandy, Bedfordshire, has decided to present a factory site free to the first firm to open works there. Nearly £100 has already been raised by public subscriptions, and the preparation of the site will give work to unemployed thrown out of work by agricultural depression.

ORCHIDS AND HARDY SPRING FLOWERS

SHOW AT WESTMINSTER

There was a good display of flowers at the Royal Horticultural Society's fortnightly show, which was held in the new hall in Greycoat-street, Westminster, yesterday afternoon. Orchids predominated, but, besides other greenhouse plants, there were many exhibits of hardy spring flowers, together with one group of fruit and one of vegetables. Several garden architects showed plans and photographs of gardens, and many artists had paintings of flowers and gardens. There were also many exhibits of garden requisites, such as summer-houses, stone ornaments, and tools of various sorts.

One of the best groups of orchids was staged by Messrs. Charlesworth and Co., who had many *Odontoglossum* and *Odontioda* hybrids and several other noteworthy kinds, such as the pretty brick-red *Oncidioda* "Medina," *Catasetum discolor,* and *Cattleya amethystoglossa,* an old species now seldom shown. Messrs. Sander also had a good group containing a variety of orchids. Among the outstanding plants were a dark form of *Phalaenopsis Schilleriana, Cymbidium* "Erica Sander" variety "Contrast," the Burmese *Saccolabium bellinum,* and *Laeliocattleya* "Edzell" variety "Majestic," which received an award of merit. The last-named plant has well-formed flowers with a very deep-crimson lip. *Cypripedium* hybrids formed the greater part of the group shown by H. G. Alexander, Limited. Some of the best were "Petrel" variety "Illustre," "Valencia," and "Sundown," which, except for a white margin, has the whole of the dorsal sepal flushed with a pleasing purplish shade. Messrs. Armstrong and Brown had *Cypripedium* hybrids backed by varieties of *Odontoglossum* and edged by *Masdevallia Schroederiana. Cymbidium* and *Cypripedium* hybrids predominated in Messrs. Cowan's exhibit, and *Cattleya* hybrids were the feature of the group shown by Messrs. Stuart Low and Co.

Lady Hadden sent from her garden at Berkhamsted an attractive collection of *Calanthe Veitchii,* and Baron Schröder showed a rose-cerise *Calanthe* called "Stella," which received a first-class certificate. Baron Schröder also sent another of his fine orange-yellow *Brassocattleya* hybrids called "Flavida" "Dell Park Variety," which received an award of merit. The same award was made to a new *Cypripedium* named "Lady Stanton" "Chardwar Variety," shown by Miss A. B. Moore. The lateral segments and lip of this flower were reddish brown, and the white dorsal sepal was flushed with green at the base and beautifully spotted with brownish red.

Messrs. R. and G. Cuthbert had an attractive display of hyacinths. The varieties were "City of Haarlem" (yellow), "La Victoire" (rose), "L'Innocence" (white), and "Nimrod" (pink). The best group of carnations came from Messrs. Allwood Brothers, who had especially good vases of "Spectrum" (bright red), "Maud Allwood" (apricot), "Topsy" (crimson), and "Wivelsfield Buttercup" (yellow). They also showed a new variety called "White Senator," which received an award of merit because of its suitability for cutting and market. Messrs. Stuart Low and Co. had good vases of the bright scarlet "R. A. Nicholson," "White Pearl," and the cerise "Thomas Ives." Carnations were also shown by C. Engelmann, Limited. Varieties of the greenhouse *Azalea indica* and *Astilbe* "Gloria" were sent from Hillegom, Holland, by Messrs. Walter Blom and Sons.

FLOWERING SHRUBS

A small but pleasing group of flowering shrubs was staged by L. R. Russell, Limited. Well-flowered forced plants of the double pink form of *Prunus triloba* were the outstanding feature, and in addition they had *Garrya elliptica, Rhododendron praecox, Prunus Amygdalus* "Clara Meyer," *Daphne Mezereum,* the double white variety of *Prunus japonica,* and several kinds of camellias. Conifers, shrubs, and a few early flowers like the winter aconite were shown by the Orpington Nurseries. The shrubs included the hybrid heath *Erica darleyensis,* which produces its rosy purple flowers from November to May, and the Chinese witch-hazel, *Hamamelis mollis,* which bears yellow blossoms in mid-winter.

Messrs. Patrick showed the winter jasmine and *Berberis Aquifolium,* two fine plants which should be in every garden because of their value for cutting during the winter. The former flowers from Christmas onwards, and the handsome bronzy foliage of the latter is excellent for the "ground-work" of vases of many things. Mr. R. C. Notcutt sent *Prunus subhirtella autumnalis* and *Viburnum fragrans,* and Mr. Arthur Turner showed a good form of winter-sweet, *Chimonanthus fragrans.* All three of these shrubs are flowering in the open now and, as their names imply, the last two are sweetly scented. No garden should be without either. Messrs. R. Gill and Sons, of Falmouth, showed *Rhododendron Nobleanum* and other early-flowering kinds, together with varieties of camellias.

ROCK-GARDEN PLANTS

There were several exhibits of early-flowering bulbous and rock-garden plants, arranged with dwarf shrubs as a background. Messrs. Barr and Sons had, among other plants, *Galanthus byzantinus, Eranthis cilicica, Narcissus minimus,* the white hoop-petticoat daffodil *N. Bulbocodium monophyllus,* the light blue form of *Iris reticulata* called "Cantab," and the fine variety of *Crocus chrysanthus* named after Mr. E. A. Bowles. Winter-flowering pansies were a feature of the exhibit from Messrs. Waterer, Sons and Crisp, who showed also the giant snowdrop *Galanthus Elwesii.* Messrs. W. Wood and Son had, among bulbous plants, *Iris persica* var. *Tauri,* and among shrubs *Hamamelis arborea* and the lemon-yellow *H. Zuccariniana.* The hybrid *Iris sindpers,* the blue *Scilla sibirica,* and several varieties of *Erica carnea* were noteworthy in a well-arranged exhibit from Messrs. Wm. Cutbush and Son. Messrs. M. Prichard and Sons showed many early-flowering rock-garden plants, including several saxifrages. Mr. G. P. Baker sent from his garden at Sevenoaks pans of two good forms of *Iris histrioides.* One, called "Baker's Variety," was of a particularly deep blue, while the other, called "Lady Beatrix Stanley's Variety," had rounded falls.

A collection of late apples was shown by Messrs. J. Cheal and Sons. The new dessert variety "Saltcote Pippin" looked particularly attractive, and there were also good dishes of those excellent old kinds "Adams's Pearmain" and "Cornish Aromatic." Messrs. Sutton and Sons staged a good collection of salad vegetables, which admirably demonstrated what a great variety of tempting material for salads may be had even in January if a little thought and trouble are given to the matter.

THE ABBEY SACRISTY

DEAN AND CHAPTER AND THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT

The Dean and Chapter of Westminster Abbey met yesterday to reconsider their plans for the new sacristy, in the light of the recommendations of the advisory committee over which Archbishop Lord Davidson presided.

The advisory committee's report (which was published in *The Times* of January 16) recommended the Dean and Chapter to reconsider the Poets' Corner site, and, if this should prove inadequate, to consider a scheme combining the Poets' Corner site with the octagonal crypt of the Chapter House, by means of an underground passage and stairway. At their meeting yesterday the Dean and Chapter are believed to have limited their discussion to two principles which guided them in the adoption of their own plan (providing for a new building on the east side of the north transept). Those principles are (1) that there should be no risk of interference with the foundations of the Abbey, and (2) that none of the ancient stonework should be cut.

To carry out the advisory committee's proposals as they stand would mean cutting through 17ft. of solid masonry underground, to make an approach to the crypt of the Chapter House, and also the enlargement of the 13th-century door into St. Benedict's Chapel. The Dean and Chapter, being very unwilling to depart from their two principles, are understood to have reaffirmed them yesterday, and to have deferred until later consideration of how far the recommendations of the weighty committee which has advised them may be followed without infringing those requirements. The Dean and Chapter will meet again on February 11.

The London Safety First Council has awarded its meritorious service medal and £2 to Mr. Henry Taylor, a London General Omnibus conductor, of Greenside-road, Shepherd's Bush, who stopped a runaway horse at West Ealing.

THE SALE ROOM

BOOKS AND PORCELAIN

Both Sotheby's and Christie's resumed their sales this week, in each case somewhat later than usual.

On Monday Sotheby's began a four days' sale of books from various sources, the more important lots so far disposed of including:—A set of the *Sporting Magazine,* 1792-1870, 156 volumes—£100 (Rimell); R. de Saint-Non, "Voyage Pittoresque ou Description des Royaumes de Naples et de Sicilie," 1781-86, in old French red morocco with the arms of Marie Josephine Comtesse de Provence, second daughter of Victor Amadeus King of Sardinia, and wife of Louis XVIII.—£51 (Maggs); C. J. Apperley, "The Life of a Sportsman," 1842—£53 (Spencer); R. L. Stevenson, "A Child's Garden of Verses," 1885—£55; two of Sir J. M. Barrie, "The Little Minister," 1891—£163; and "A Window in Thrums," 1889—£35 (all bought by Messrs. Maggs and in original condition); J. Galsworthy, "The Forsyte Saga," 1922, a signed copy—£27 (Porter); R. J. Adam, "Works in Architecture," 1822—£112 (Parsons); and W. Shakespeare, a copy of the Fourth Folio, 1685, except for a few minor defects a complete copy in good condition—£290 (Maggs).

Christie's sale yesterday of Chinese porcelain, carvings in hardstones, and textiles, from various sources, totalled £1,832; a coral group of two ladies on rockwork base, 9¼in. high, sold for 160 guineas (Davidge); and another of a lady, with parrot and branches of fruit, for 45 guineas (Philips and McConnell).

FURNITURE AND PICTURES

Hurcomb's sales on Monday and yesterday at Calder House, Piccadilly, included a set of Hepplewhite carved rail back dining chairs, which fetched £300 (Lewis); a Sheraton mahogany and inlaid break-front secretaire bookcase—£140 (Timms); a Chippendale mahogany armchair—£175 (Block); a pair of Queen Anne walnut oblong stools—£135 (Lewis); a picture by a Dutch artist of the Duke of Marlborough's Campaign in the Netherlands—£190 (Walker); and A. Mignon, flowers in a glass vase—£125 (H. Davis).

PRAYER-BOOK REVISION

PROTESTANT TRIBUTE TO BISHOP KNOX

MR. R. C. HART DYKE, chairman of the council of the World's Evangelical Alliance, presided at a meeting held yesterday at 19, Russell-square, at which Bishop Knox was presented with an address on vellum, the gift of members and friends of the Alliance in recognition of his services to the cause of Protestantism during the controversy over the revision of the Prayer-book. The address contained the following sentences:—

On behalf of the council of the World's Evangelical Alliance, which incorporates many interests devoted to Christian unity, we desire to express to your lordship our deep regret that, through advancing years, you have been compelled to relinquish active leadership in undertakings devoted to the vindication of our national Protestantism. We wish also to place on record our heartfelt gratitude for the part you have been permitted by God to take in defeating recent efforts to medievalize the service of our National Church.

The REV. J. A. SHARP, president-elect of the National Free Church Council, said he felt that during the Prayer-book controversy the Bishop voiced the Protestant conviction of the English people.

SIR JOSIAH STAMP said that Bishop Knox's sacrifices were known only by his friends, and his energy was that of a man inspired with a great sense of mission.

PREBENDARY HINDE added his tribute, and PROFESSOR BERESFORD PITE said that they looked forward to future important service by Dr. Knox.

BISHOP KNOX, replying, said that what had been done could only have been accomplished by the united forces of the Protestantism of the National Church and the Free Churches. He foresaw conflicts in the near future which would require unity among all Protestant Christians for the maintenance of the Truth of God as revealed in Holy Scripture.

Sir Daniel Hall, in a paper on "Settlers' Problems in Kenya," which he read before the Dominions and Colonies section of the Royal Society of Arts yesterday, said he had seen few countries more taking to the farmer's eye, or where a man could look forward with more confidence to settling down and founding a family, than Kenya.

BLACKMAIL CASE SENTENCES

PENAL SERVITUDE FOR TWO MEN

At the Central Criminal Court yesterday, before the Recorder (Sir Ernest Wild, K.C.), the trial was concluded of ARTHUR FREDERICK VICTOR HAFNER, 49, stockbroker, and THOMAS WILLIAM MULHOLLAND, 42, fruit bottler, on bail, on the indictment charging them with conspiring together and with others unknown to cheat and defraud such women as should be induced to part with money to them. Other counts in the indictment charged the defendants with demanding £200 from a widow, who was referred to in the case as "Mrs. H." with menaces and with intent to steal the money, and with obtaining that sum from her by false pretences. The defendants were also charged in other counts with obtaining money from two other widows by false pretences. The defendants pleaded "Not Guilty."

The jury found the defendants *Guilty* on the counts charging them with conspiracy to defraud and demanding money with menaces. The RECORDER discharged the jury from giving a verdict on the other counts.

The RECORDER sentenced Hafner to 21 months' imprisonment, with hard labour, and Mulholland to 18 months' imprisonment in the second division on the charge of conspiracy; and on the charge of demanding money with menaces he sentenced Hafner to five years' penal servitude, and Mulholland to three years' penal servitude, the sentences to run concurrently. Mulholland was also ordered to pay the costs of the prosecution.

Mr. Percival Clarke, Mr. G. D. Roberts, and Mr. Anthony Hawke prosecuted; Mr. Walter Hedley, K.C., and Mr. L. A. Byrne defended Mulholland. Hafner conducted his own defence.

Hafner, addressing the jury in defence, said there was no intention on his part to defraud the three women from whom he was stated to have obtained money. As soon as a business deal went through he expected to have funds enough to repay part of the money and to form a trust company to work a tin concession and give the three women shares in that company. It had been said that the three women were poor, defenceless widows, but "Mrs. H" was the widow of an officer, another of the women kept a boarding house for many years, and the third woman had been a publican for some years. In reference to the charge of demanding money with menaces, Hafner said that the day after Mulholland visited the flat "Mrs. H" gave him (Hafner) £200, saying, "Give this cheque to that awful man." Hafner denied that he used any threats to "Mrs. H." "Am I to be deprived of my liberty and to be heavily punished on the uncorroborated statements of 'Mrs. H'?" he asked.

The jury, after a short consultation in the box, found the defendants *Guilty,* as stated above.

Inspector Horwell said that Hafner in June, 1920, at the Central Criminal Court, was sentenced to three years' penal servitude on a charge of fraudulent conversion of property while carrying on business as an outside stock and share broker. In May, 1924, at the same Court, Hafner was sentenced to three years' penal servitude for fraudulent conversion of money. He was a British subject of Bavarian extraction. He was the son of the late Chevalier Hafner, a highly respected Bavarian, who for many years held the appointment mentioned of director of Continental travels for Royalty. Mulholland had a good character. He was employed for 13 years at Woolwich Arsenal.

ARMY OFFICERS' PAY

In view of the fact that there has been some misunderstanding regarding the revision of Army officers' pay and retired pay, which takes place on July 1 next, the War Office calls attention to the following written answer given by the Secretary of State for War in the House of Commons yesterday in reply to questions:—

"Standard rates were fixed in July, 1919, for officers' pay and retired pay, and in accordance with the conditions then laid down these standard rates are subject to revision periodically upwards or downwards in relation to the variation in the cost of living. A revision is due as from July 1 next. At present the standard rates are subject to a reduction of 6 per cent. On the recognized basis of revision they would be subject to a reduction of 8 per cent., in lieu of this 6 per cent., from July 1 next, but it has been decided that the reduction shall be limited to 7 per cent. The question will be further considered at the end of 12 months."

News in Brief

Mr. A. C. Tutt, who was a cornet player in the old Eton College Volunteers' band for over 30 years, has just died at the age of 70.

The Prince of Wales has consented to become the patron of the Health and Happiness Exhibition to be held at Olympia in July.

Ernest Glover, 22, a cleaner, was trapped between buffers on the L.N.E.R. at Colwick, Nottinghamshire, on Saturday, and received fatal injuries.

Mr. J. Sumner Dury has resigned his clerkship to the Clutton Union, which he has held since 1895. He has had over 51 years' Poor Law experience in London, Bath and Bristol.

Frederick Dovey, of Caledonian-road, King's Cross, who was blown into the air and injured when four electric mains exploded in Upper-street, Islington, on Monday, died in the Royal Free Hospital yesterday.

Ernest Benjamin Langford, 55, works manager to an engineering firm at Burton-on-Trent, who 20 years ago was one of the best track cyclists in the Midlands, was found dead early yesterday in a workshop adjoining his house.

Last year 29,158 London school children went to the hopfields. Of these 24,049 went with parents or guardians, and 827 with other persons, from schools with ordinary holidays. In addition, 4,282 went from schools which observe "hop-picking" holidays.

At Hereford yesterday Harry William Hart, a former secretary to the Herefordshire General Hospital, was committed for trial at the Herefordshire Assizes on charges of forging a receipt, converting money to his own use, and making false entries in a receipt book.

Three deserters from the French Foreign Legion, two Germans and a Dane, have been landed at Leith from the Danish ship Erik Boye, in which they had stowed themselves at Susa, North Africa. The respective Consuls at Leith have arranged to have them shipped home.

The Royal Commission on Licensing (England and Wales) will hold its 18th and 19th public meetings at Broadway Buildings to-morrow and on Friday, when evidence will be heard from the Chief Constables of Oldham, Bristol, Cambridge, Flintshire and Cardiff. The meetings will begin each day at 11 a.m.

NEWS IN ADVERTISEMENTS

The following items are taken from the advertisement columns in this issue of *The Times,* where details will be found:—

The Secretary of State for India proposes shortly to make one appointment as District Medical Officer on the Indian State Railways. (p. 3)

The Royal Society make an announcement concerning the Government grant for scientific investigations. (p. 1)

An advertiser wants to buy or borrow original photographs illustrating public and social functions, or events of general interest, before 1880. (p. 1)

The County Council of Durham are prepared to receive applications for the position of Deputy County Engineer and Surveyor. (p. 3)

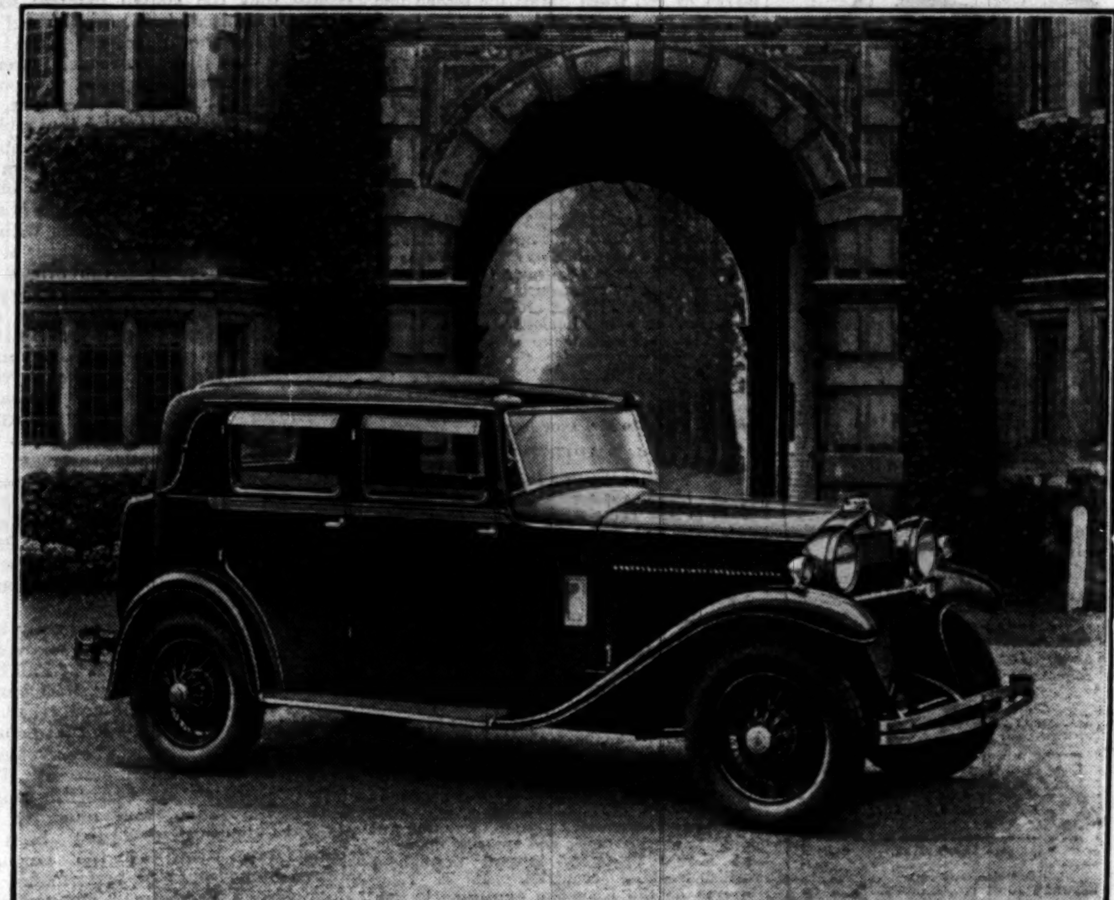
A reward of £10 is offered for a lost square-cut emerald. (p. 1)

HOIST ACCIDENT IN GLASGOW

MAN KILLED AND SEVERAL INJURED

Owing to a hoist falling 80ft. in the preserved meat factory of Messrs. R. D. Waddell, Limited, Napiershall-street, Glasgow, yesterday, David Gordon, of Buckley-street, Possilpark, Glasgow, was killed, and John Watson, 26, the hoistman, William McDonald, 17, Alexander Stark, 18, William Handyside, 15, and James Smith, 25, all of Glasgow, were injured.

The hoist, in which was 10cwt. of bone meal, was being lowered in a seven-storey building by the hoistman, Watson, when it jammed at the fifth floor. Before it restarted five employees stepped into it and almost immediately the hoist began to fall. All efforts to stop its progress failed and it crashed with great force at the bottom of the lift shaft, 80ft. below. Employees who heard the crash rushed to the assistance of the men who were lying among the wreckage of the hoist. Gordon had been killed instantly and the others were all badly injured. They were taken to the Western Infirmary.



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"A SCENE BEHIND THE SCENES"

By CALLISTHENES

We noticed some days ago an account in one of the London newspapers of how a "famous pianist" made a "scene" at a rehearsal a few hours before he gave a concert.

Presumably the trouble has all blown over by this time, but we admire so heartily the attitude taken up by the musician that we think it worth while to put our admiration on record.

Towards the end of the morning rehearsal the pianist, who was rehearsing with an orchestra, found that only half-an-hour was left for a Mozart concerto.

After thirty-five minutes hasty running over it the conductor pointed out that the time was up. The pianist protested. "Music," he said, "cannot be made like that. It does not matter to me, but it is not fair to Mozart."

Time for further rehearsal was still refused and the pianist then made an offer to the ninety members of the orchestra to pay them out of his own pocket for extra time to rehearse.

It was explained to him that they had other engagements and they could not play any longer.

According to the newspaper report the pianist then said he would refuse to play unless he could have further rehearsal.

Later, however, he was induced to change his mind, and, according to the critic, orchestra and pianist played as if inspired, the pianist receiving an ovation.

Talking it over afterwards the pianist said: "Great music requires time and repose. You cannot be whipped into it. You have to meet it in a spirit of love and enthusiasm."

We can readily believe that the orchestra played as if inspired. They had had the inspiration of seeing a man ablaze with enthusiasm for his work, passionately disappointed because he was being robbed of his chance of thoroughness, willing to make financial sacrifice for it.

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LEEDS CIVIC PLAYHOUSE

"COCK ROBIN"

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

LEEDS, JAN. 28

Cock Robin, described as a comedy "thriller" from America, by Elmer Price and Philip Barry, was produced at the Leeds Civic Playhouse last night. The play has had a long run in America, and this is its first production in Europe. It abounds in tense situations, with adequate relief in comedy.

The play shows an inner stage on a stage, and begins with a party of amateurs rehearsing. Through a transparent curtain the audience sees these amateurs and the producer at work on a scene in which Hancock Robinson (from whose name the title is taken) is supposed to be wounded by a bullet in a duel. The second act shows the amateurs producing their play. When Robinson is shot the players observe that something is wrong; the transparent curtain falls, and it is discovered that a real bullet has been fired. Five players are known to have hated Robinson in his private life and the process of freeing the actors from blame begins. Then one confesses to having put a live cartridge in the pistol, whereupon it is found that the bullet entered the man's shoulder and that a knife is stuck in the victim's back. For the third time the duel is staged—this time in order that from the auditorium the producer's secretary may detect the culprit. The climax is ingenious and the identity of the culprit unexpected. The play is a satire on the amateur actor and lends itself to some clever character studies. Mr. J. S. Hutchinson plays the part of McAuliffe; Miss Margaret Inchbold is the producer's secretary; Mr. A. Hartop, of Bradford, the lawyer, who conducts the examination after the murder; and Miss Sybil Armitage the gushing president of the society.

The Broadcasting Programmes for to-day and Broadcasting Notes will be found on page 20

Entertainments

THE FILM WORLD

PLAN TO ADVERTISE BRITISH GOODS

A scheme to use multilingual talking films to assist British industrial groups and commercial firms to sell their goods abroad is announced by British Publicity Talking Films, Limited, a subsidiary company of Associated Sound Film Industries, Limited. It is proposed to place facilities at the disposal of the leading industries and commercial firms of recognized standing to enable them to make under expert guidance sound films which can either form part of the regular equipment of their sales organization, or can be used for demonstration purposes in shops and at exhibitions and fairs. Similar facilities are also to be offered to business firms for the making of talking films in English only, for exhibition in English-speaking countries. The films, it is stated, can be made at a low cost and in almost any language.

It is intended, so far as possible, to produce these films for their educative and entertainment possibilities, and exhibitors throughout the country will be invited to include them in their normal programme. Film advertising hitherto has not made much headway in this country, chiefly because the usual productions had not much to recommend them in the way of entertainment and they were shown only in the smaller cinemas, to which the exhibition fee offered was a consideration. In the opinion of the organizers of the scheme, however, the advent of the talking film has changed the situation. The addition of speech makes it possible to tell an interesting story or give an educative account of production processes in much less film footage than was required by the silent film, thus increasing the entertainment interest of the advertising film while keeping it well within the limits which it must occupy in the normal cinema programme.

The contract between the British and Dominions Film Corporation, Limited, and the Gramophone Company, Limited (H.M.V.), for the joint production of talking films has been terminated by mutual consent. Four talking films have, however, already been made by both companies at the studios of the British and Dominions Film Corporation. Of these, *Splinters* has already been successfully exhibited; *Rookery Nook* is to be shown on February 11 at the New Gallery; and *The Loves of Robert Burns* and *Wolves* will be shown during next month. The pictures will be distributed in the United Kingdom under the agreement between the Gaumont-British Corporation and the British and Dominions Film Corporation.

BRITISH TALKING FILMS

Six more British sound films, all of which are available as quota films, have been completed by the British International Pictures, Limited, and these will be shown privately at the Alhambra on consecutive Thursdays in February and March. Appropriately enough the first of these films to be shown will be a screen *revue* entitled *Elstree Calling*, in which Miss Lily Morris, Miss Cicely Courtneidge, Mr. Jack Hulbert, and many other artists whose names are well known in the variety world will be seen and heard through the cinema in the house in which they have appeared with such success in person. The second presentation will be *Raise in the Roof*, the first British back-stage romance, with Miss Betty Balfour in the principal part. The other films to be shown are *A Compulsory Husband*, with Mr. Monty Banks and Miss Gladys Frazin in the cast; *Song of Soho*, which, as the title implies, deals with life of London's foreign quarter; *The Road to Dishonour*, a talking and dancing film, in which Miss Anna May Wong will be heard speaking English and Chinese; and finally *Harmony Heaven*, with Miss Pollie Ward, Mr. Stuart Hall, and the Tiller Plaza Girls in the company. Many of the scenes in this last production will be in colour.

Five more British sound films are to be made almost immediately by the same company at their Elstree studios. In the first, adapted from Mr. Dion Titheradge's play, *Loose Ends*, and directed by Mr. Norman Walker, the role of Malcolm Forbes will be played by Mr. Owen Nares; the second film, *Suspense*, a War-play by Mr. Patrick MacGill, is to be directed by Mr. Walter Summers. The screen version of Mr. John Van Druten's play, *Young Woodley*, will be made under the direction of Mr. Thomas Bentley, in collaboration with the author; and *Enter Sir John*, by Miss Clemence Dane and Miss Helen Simpson, will be directed by Mr. Alfred Hitchcock. A trilingual talkie, *The Two Worlds*, will also be produced by Mr. A. E. Dupont, the director of *Atlantic*, which is in its second month at the Alhambra.

Two more productions, *The "W" Plan*, to be directed by Mr. Victor Saville, and another picture to be produced by Mr. Harry Lachmann, the director of *Under the Greenwood Tree*, will also be made during the year.

Gainsborough Pictures are using the Elstree studios to complete *Balaclava*, which was interrupted by the recent fire at their Islington studios, as well as for the production of *Symphony in Two Flats*, for which the American screen "star," Miss Jacqueline Logan, has been brought over from Hollywood to play opposite Mr. Ivor Novello.

AN EMPIRE FILM

One Family is the title that has been chosen for the film dealing with the British Empire, which is now being made by British Instructional Films at their studios at Welwyn. This is the picture of which a large part is taken within Buckingham Palace, thus bringing to the screen scenes that have never before been photographed. The cast is as remarkable as the setting. In the film India will be represented by Miss Dadabhoy, daughter of Sir Maneckji Dadabhoy; Canada by Lady Keeble, perhaps better known as Miss Lillah McCarthy; Australia by Miss Phyllis Neilson-Terry; New Zealand by Lady Ravensdale; South Africa by Lady Carlisle, and the Irish Free State by Lady Lavery. The film will also contain scenes of Kafirs treading the grapes for South African brandy; a Scottish crofter's cottage on the coast of Scotland; a farm in Wicklow, Ireland; and views of Canada, Australia, and New Zealand and industrial England. The film will be set to stirring music and amusing dialogue, and should prove of interest throughout English-speaking countries. It is being directed on the Klangfilm apparatus by Mr. Walter Creighton, and is expected to be shown in London early in March.

In connexion with the showing of talking films a non-inflammable sound-screen has been invented by the Western Electric Company, and this will shortly be available to the 500 cinemas in this country which are equipped with their sound apparatus. Although fire-proof sound-screens are at present in general use, it has been impossible up to now to make them so perfect as those used for silent films, because of the porous surface that is needed for the showing of talking films. The new screen, however, gives increased light-reflection, thus enabling the picture to be quite as sharp and clear as in a silent film. The sound-screen has been invented, after a long period of experimental work, at the Western Electric research laboratories in America.

Among the interesting films to be seen in Central London this week is *Hallelujah*, the first all-negro talking film, which is now being shown at the Empire. An Indian film, *A Throw of Dice*, is to be seen at the Polytechnic; at the Plaza *The Mighty*, with Mr. George Bancroft in the principal part; and at the New Gallery, Mr. Jack Buchanan and Miss Irene Bordoni in *Paris*.

THE LONDON PICTURE THEATRES

ALHAMBRA.—*Atlantic.*
ASTORIA.—*The Locked Door.*
AVENUE PAVILION.—*Foolish Wives* and *The Imaginary Voyage.*
CAPITOL.—*Flight.*
CARLTON.—*Welcome Danger.*
EMPIRE.—*Hallelujah.*
KENSINGTON.—*Bulldog Drummond* and *The Return of the Rat.*
LONDON PAVILION.—*Condemned.*
MARBLE ARCH.—*Disraeli.*
NEW GALLERY.—*Paris.*
PLAZA.—*The Mighty* and *The Wife's Birthday.*
POLYTECHNIC.—*A Throw of Dice.*
REGAL.—*Gold Diggers of Broadway.*
STOLL.—*Salute* and *Bulldog Drummond.*
TIVOLI.—*The Sky Hawk.*

PRESERVATION OF RURAL ENGLAND

A conference convened by the Hampshire Rural Community Council and the Isle of Wight Architectural Association to start a Hampshire and Isle of Wight branch of the Council for the Preservation of Rural England will take place at the South Western Hotel, Southampton, to-morrow, at 3. The speakers will include Lord Crawford, Sir Leslie Scott, Mr. Guy Dawber, and Mr. Clough Williams-Ellis. Lord Malmesbury will preside.

CRITERION THEATRE

"MILESTONES"

By ARNOLD BENNETT and EDWARD KNOBLOCK

John Rhead	ALLAN JEAYES
Gertrude Rhead	CLARE EAMES
Mrs. Rhead	ALICE O'DAY
Samuel Sibley	OLIVER JOHNSTON
Rose Sibley	EMMIE ARTHUR-WILLIAMS
Ned Pym	GUY PELHAM-BOULTON
Emily Rhead	DOROTHY CHESTON
Nancy Sibley	VIOLA LYEL
Lord Monkhurst	GUY PELHAM-BOULTON
Arthur Preece	ION SWINLEY
The Hon. Muriel Pym	JOAN HARBEN
Richard Sibley	MICHAEL MAC OWAN

Only the commonplaces (they say) are true, and though, in the interests of good talk, if of nothing else, we may dissent from this dreary assertion, it must be allowed that homely, familiar commonplaces make excellent dramatic stuff. The commonplaces of this play are of universal interest. The Rheads and the Sibleys grow old and scoff at steel ships as their fathers scoffed at ironclads; they marry against the wishes of their parents, and are furious when their children propose to do the same; they take up causes with enthusiasm, and are slowly disillusioned. Time plays them some astonishing tricks, but we can all sympathize with our fellow-victims. Though the play stops a couple of years short of the War, and so just fails to bring the audience of to-day into the picture, it has still, as its friendly reception last night shows, a dreadful fascination for us. The mere spectacle of successive generations amuses and touches us.

Mr. Arnold Bennett and Mr. Edward Knoblock have wisely made no effort to bring their play up to date. We need not wonder what the Rheads and the Sibleys of the present generation are doing. We know that they are tending to repeat with mechanical fidelity the mistakes of the last generation. Doubtless some of them, collectors perhaps of anti-macassars and wax flowers and other things richly evocative of a vanished period, are in the stalls, dwelling delightedly on the old fashion plates that the revival once more exposes, contrasting the hoops and frills of 1860 with the bonnets and bustles that Du Maurier drew in 1885, hearing their great-grandfathers salute each other familiarly as "tulips," and seeing through a cloud of associations much of their own lives. How much they see depends a good deal on the young girl who breaks off her engagement and who lives to repent it as an old maid. Miss Clare Eames, handling the part tenderly yet firmly, gives it its proper place in the revival. Mr. Allan Jeayes, as the go-ahead young Rhead and the stern parent and doddering old grandfather of later years, is admirable. So is Miss Emmie Arthur-Williams as maiden, matron, and grandmama. In minor parts there is some clever acting by Miss Viola Lyel, Mr. Ion Swinley, and Mr. Pelham-Boulton. But Miss Dorothy Cheston is never wholly at her ease at any time during the evening, and the play suffers in consequence.

OLD ITALIAN MUSIC

CONCERT AT BURLINGTON HOUSE

Mr. Anthony Bernard, with a picked team of solo and choral singers, the strings of his London Chamber Orchestra and two harpsichords (one of which he played himself), undertook last night the fascinating task of illustrating for us the music contemporary with the pictures on the walls of Burlington House. After a choral prologue (Gastoldi's "O compagni allegrezza") and an apt address on "Music of the Italian Renaissance" delivered by Miss Nesta de Robeck, a programme was given which began with a madrigal by the 14th-century composer, Francesco Landino, and proceeded more or less chronologically to its culmination in a large and varied group of Monteverde's works for voices and instruments in combination.

The audience seated facing the Venus of Botticelli and surrounded by the Titians and Giorgiones. could not fail to realize that the Italian painters solved their problems of form, design, and balance while the musicians were still fumbling with theirs. Arcadelt, foremost of the Venetian madrigalists, was born a few years after Giorgione had died, and it is only in the 16th century that a classical style can be claimed for the musical art of Italy. While song number in this programme had some distinctive charm of its own, and Mr. Bernard and Miss de Robeck had taken great pains with the selection, it was with the madrigals of Corteccia, Arcadelt, di Lasso, and others. that the bigger style of art made its appearance. Di Lasso's Echo song is as symmetrical as that wedding feast of Botticelli which hangs to the left of the Venus; Luca Marenzio's "L'aura che' l verde Lauro," and Gesualdo's "Donna se M'ancidete" add a poignancy of expression to their designs comparable to that of the same artist's outcast woman. In one respect, however, this programme was not quite fair to the musicians of the Renaissance. There was only one Church piece, a "Laudate Dominum," of Palestrina, and without Church art neither the music nor the painting of the Renaissance can be estimated.

The vocal music was sung partly by a choir and partly by groups of solo voices, and generally well sung. It had all been carefully prepared, and any shortcomings seemed to be due to the fact that the singers had not quite got to that point in which the preparation can be forgotten in an unconstrained interpretation. They were for the most part English singers singing in Italian, and much of the musical idiom must have been as strange to them as the language. Mme. Slobodskaya's performance of Monteverde's soliloquy "The Soavita," and the combination of Miss Victoria Mulvey, Miss Anne Wood, and Mr. Irvine Nicolson in his delicious scherzo "Violetta," both deserve special mention. The beauty of the string interlude in this last and others of Monteverde's works took one by surprise, and his madrigal "Lasciatemi Morire" stood out as one of the masterpieces of the programme, and was evidently felt to be so by the singers, who excelled in their interpretation of it.

DUKE OF WESTMINSTER'S YACHT FOR SALE

The Duke of Westminster's yacht Flying Cloud is for sale. The yacht was built specially for the owner at Leghorn in 1927, to the design of Mr. J. H. Barbour, who modelled her more or less on the lines of the former Flying Cloud. The new vessel is estimated to have cost over £100,000. The Flying Cloud is a four-masted schooner of about 1,200 tons and carries about 14,500 square feet of canvas. She is fitted with an auxiliary oil engine with twin-screws. She has a length of nearly 200ft. and a speed under power of eight or nine knots.

TREFOREST SCHOOL OF MINES

The Glamorgan Education Committee yesterday adopted the recommendation of a sub-committee to convert the Treforest School of Mines into a technical college at a cost of £110,000. Alderman Wm. Jenkins, M.P., the chairman, said the school would be the only one in Wales that would be able to grant a diploma in mining, and the new departments which it was proposed should be added would make the school equal to any institution of its kind in the country.

HONOUR FOR LADY BAILEY

The Royal Aero Club have awarded the Britannia Trophy for the year 1929 to Lady Bailey for her 18,000-mile flight from England to South Africa and back. The presentation will be made at the forthcoming dinner of the club, at which the Duke of York is to be present.

ART EXHIBITION

THE FINE ART SOCIETY

Though there is no obvious connexion between them, the present exhibitions at the galleries of the Fine Art Society, 148, New Bond-street, of recent water-colours of "The Isles of the Aegean and Beyond," by that very popular painter Mr. Cecil Hunt, and drypoints by Miss Mily Possoz, a Belgian artist, do lend themselves to comparison because they represent respectively a rather portentous and an engagingly frivolous attitude to subject matter. Of the two Miss Possoz is by far the more serious artist, but she finds life itself amusing. To put into a sentence what it is that repels in the water-colours of Mr. Hunt, he seems to be trying to do what Turner did in his latest water-colours without the preliminary labour that Turner went through. Of Mr. Hunt's skill in handling water-colour there can be no question, but there is no grasp or even recognition of structure under the skill. It is this, as much as anything, that makes his colour displeasing. His colour is not too bright intrinsically, certainly it is not brighter than Turner's, but it looks too bright because it does not respond to the changes of plane, which, whether they occur in solid facts or atmospheric volumes, give logic to the colour of the latest and slightest Turner drawing. In looking at Mr. Hunt's water-colours one ceases to wonder why young English artists are driven to Cézanne. Probably Cézanne is not nearly such a good model for the young English artist as Turner, but he did mark with excess of logic the relations between colour and form. For lack of these relations Mr. Hunt's colour is obtrusive—with a slaty effect—even when he paints grey.

Mr. Hunt's work has been sharply criticized because his reputation will bear it, and there is little likelihood of any of his admirers being put off by what is said here. For ourselves we find something to admire in his slighter and more modest drawings. In "Entering the Dardanelles" the way the golden headland seems to sit upon the heaving water is very well realized, and "Bay of Eleusis," "Piræus-Athens," "Bosporus," and "On the Acropolis, Athens," all show some recognition of the conditions under the superficial cleverness with which they are executed.

With some reflection of Marie Laurencin in her sophisticated types and of Laboureur in her technical methods, Miss Possoz has a good deal of her own. The compositions—mostly of Latin "flappers" in their diversions—are Baroque in the sense of realizing masses in movement in all three dimensions of space, and they are very lightly handled. Her drawing is not remarkable for character, but it is very successful in plastic suggestion—"Cat on the Table" for instance—in varying atmospheric conditions. "Out in the Rain" is very wet indeed, and the little black hurrying figures in the distance are a joy to behold. "The Mandolin Lesson," "Amusement," "The Observatory Garden," "Varina," "Young Girl under a Parasol," and "On the Banks of the Seine at Meulan" are other delightful pictures. Many of these dry-points are printed in colour.

CARILLON IN HYDE PARK

PROGRAMMES FOR TO-DAY

The following programmes of the music to be played to-day on the Wellington (New Zealand) War Memorial Carillon in Hyde Park by Mr. Clifford Ball are issued by the *Daily Sketch*:—

1.15 to 1.35 p.m.—"Land of Hope and Glory," "Old Folks at Home," "Prelude" (Heller), "Bonnie Mary of Argyle," "Come Back to Erin."

3.0 to 3.20 p.m.—"John Peel," "Alice, Where Art Thou?" "Melody in F" (Rubinstein), "Passing By" (Purcell), "Serenade" (Schubert).

7.0 to 7.20 p.m.—"Annie Laurie," "Somewhere a Voice is Calling," "Chanson Triste," "The Rosary" (Nevin), "When other Lips."

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL COUNCIL

ECONOMIC INTERDEPENDENCE OF NATIONS

The first public meeting of the Christian Social Council was held last night, at the Small Central Hall, Westminster, under the chairmanship of the BISHOP of WINCHESTER.

DR. ADOLF KELLER, Director of the International Christian Institute, Geneva, said that they were discovering that the world was becoming an economic unity. Could the Churches lag behind the world in acquiring this new knowledge of mutual interdependence? They were gaining for the Churches a wider horizon. The Church had to give a soul to the huge body of Internationalism at Geneva.

The REV. A. E. GARVIE, D.D., said individual effort was not adequate to meet the social needs of the time. What was necessary was collective effort, not only the collective effort of the Churches and the collective effort of the cities, but also of the nations, and the collective effort of all the nations, because the problems were world-wide problems.

THE SAN REMO CHESS TOURNAMENT

RESULTS IN TENTH ROUND

(FROM OUR CHESS CORRESPONDENT)

The 10th round of the San Remo Tournament was played yesterday, and again Dr. Alekhine won his game, still keeping his lead of two points. His next two rivals, A. Niemzowitsch and A. Rubinstein, were paired against each other, and this game was won by Rubinstein, Reuter's message stating that Rubinstein won by means of a fine combination in which he gave up a bishop for two pawns.

The leading scores are:—Dr. A. Alekhine, 9½ points; A. Rubinstein 7½ points; A. Niemzowitsch 6½; Dr. M. Vidmar and S. Tartakower 5½ each.

The results of this round were as follows:—Vidmar beat Colle; Alekhine beat Romih; Tartakower beat Ahues; Yates beat Grau; Monticelli beat Kmoch; Maroczy drew with Araiza; Rubinstein beat Niemzowitsch; Spielmann against Bogoljubow was adjourned, Bogoljubow having the advantage.

The following is the full score of the game between E. D. Bogoljubow and M. Monticelli in the fifth round:—

QUEEN'S PAWN OPENING

WHITE E. D. Bogoljubow	BLACK M. Monticelli	WHITE E. D. Bogoljubow	BLACK M. Monticelli
1. P–Q 4	Kt–K B 3	21. Kt–B 4	R–R 3
2. P–Q B 4	P–K 3	22. R–B 2	P–B 4
3. Kt–Q B 3	B–Kt 5	23. P–Q 6	R×P
4. Kt–B 3	P–Q Kt 3	24. Kt×R ch	Q×Kt
5. B–Kt 5	B×Kt ch	25. B–Q B 4	R–B sq
6. P×B	B–Kt 2	26. P×P	R×P
7. P–K 3	P–Q 3	27. R–Q 2	Q–K 2
8. B–Q 3	Q Kt–Q 2	28. Q–Kt 3	R–B sq
9. Castles	Q–K 2	29. B–Q 3	P–K 5
10. Kt–Q 2	P–K R 3	30. B×K P	B×B
11. B–R 4	P–K Kt 4	31. P×B	Q×P
12. B–Kt 3	Castles (Q)	32. Q–B 2	Q–B 3
13. P–Q R 4	P–Q R 4	33. P–B 4	P–Kt 5
14. R–Kt sq	Q R–Kt sq	34. B×R P	P×P
15. P–B 3	P–R 4	35. P–Kt 3	Kt–K 4
16. P–K 4	P–R 5	36. R–Kt 3	Kt–K 7 ch
17. B–K sq	P–K 4	37. R×Kt	R–B 8 ch
18. P–R 3	Kt–R 4	38. K×R	Q–R 8 ch
19. P–B 5	Q P×B P	39. K–B 2	Kt–Kt 5 mate
20. P–Q 5	Kt–B 5		

—*Reuter.*

An exceedingly clever ending by the young Italian player.

LONDON ORPHAN SCHOOL

The annual general Court and public meeting of the London Orphan School and Royal British Orphan School, Watford, was held at the Cannon-street Hotel on Monday. Mr. ARTHUR W. ACKLAND, who presided, presented the annual report, which stated that the 116th annual festival dinner on December 5, under the presidency of Mr. Lionel de Rothschild, realized the sum of £21,000, which had for the moment materially relieved the board of financial anxiety. There was also a gift of £5,000 from the Stock Exchange Mutual Subscription Fund. Mr. Gilbert Johnstone was appointed hon. treasurer, in succession to the late Mr. Arthur Pennington Blathwayt. Mr. Royle F. Bristowe was elected a president of the schools, and Messrs. Lionel de Rothschild, D. C. Rutherford and Basil Wilson as vice-presidents. The following were appointed the board of managers for the ensuing year:—

The Chairman, Sir Park Goff, Messrs. John Fisher, D. C. Rutherford, Royle F. Bristowe, George Norbury, George H. Chandler, T. Rupert Clutterbuck, J. Graham Weall, S. A. P. Kitcat, A. Newburn Walker, Geoffrey Akroyd, Douglas Mathieson, Geoffrey N. Foster, Ernest M. Cohen, and H. P. Hansell.

UNIVERSITY NEWS

PROPOSED CHANGES IN ST. MARY'S, OXFORD

OXFORD, JAN. 28

In Convocation to-day, the Vice-Chancellor (the Rev. F. Homes Dudden, Master of Pembroke) presiding, the appointment of the Rev. V. J. K. Brook, M.A., Fellow of Lincoln College, as Censor of Non-Collegiate Students for five years, from next June, was approved.

In Congregation Mr. E. W. B. Gill, Fellow of Merton, proposed a Statute to make certain alterations in the arrangements for the auditing of college catering accounts recently instituted on the recommendation of the Royal Commission. It is proposed that in future the audit shall take place only once in five years, and that an advisory committee of the Bursars' Committee should be set up.

Mr. P. E. Roberts (Worcester) gave notice of amendments which would bring the women's societies, at their request, into the inspection.

The degree of M.A. was conferred by Decree on Professor Robert Robinson, D.Sc., Manchester, Fellow of Magdalen, and Waynflete Professor of Chemistry.

THE UNIVERSITY CHURCH

The PRINCIPAL of HERTFORD introduced a Decree to give the consent of the University to certain structural alterations in the south wall of Adam de Brome's Chapel, which are proposed in connexion with a scheme for the rearrangement of the interior of St. Mary's Church. The Principal explained that the desire of the vicar and parish council was to increase the accommodation of the church and to open up its beauties. It was intended to remove the gallery on the north side and to replace the wall between the church and Adam de Brome's Chapel by a wooden partition with double doors. This would throw open the whole nave, and the chapel, while it could still be self-contained when so required, would become a transept of the church and could accommodate considerable numbers. A quotation from Hearne showed that this was the arrangement before 1733, when the present brick wall was built.

The Principal explained that it was not intended to alter the position of the pulpit or the seats of the Vice-Chancellor and Proctors and that any new arrangement of seats which might be made would not in any way be inconvenient for the hearing of the University sermon. He believed that the change would facilitate the use of St. Mary's as the religious centre of the University and would greatly improve its æsthetic appearance.

PROFESSOR C. C. J. WEBB opposed the Decree, and expressed his regret that only so small a matter had come before the University when it was proposed to make a great change in a historic church. He also maintained that the augmentation of the benefice was a more important matter than any structural alteration. He referred to possible schemes in the future for the union of benefices in Oxford, and thought that the present scheme should be postponed until these larger changes were under consideration.

MR. CYRIL BAILEY, Fellow of Balliol, speaking as a member of the parish council of St. Mary's, gave an assurance that the plans of the council would be made public and any criticism upon them welcomed, and that the augmentation of the benefice would be included as one of the objects in any general appeal which might be made.

The Decree was carried by 47 votes to 10.

CAMBRIDGE, JAN. 28

The Vice-Chancellor gives notice that the election of a Hulsean Preacher for the next academical year will be made before the end of the present term. Candidates are requested to send in their names to the Vice-Chancellor before next March 1.

The Director of the Solar Physics Observatory has appointed Mr. J. C. Dobbie, M.A., Trinity, to be First Junior Observer for five years.

The General Board have appointed Mr. H. McCombie, M.A., King's, a member of the Council of the School of the Physical Sciences until December, 1933, and Mr. H. Thirkell, M.A., Clare, a member of that council until December, 1930, in the room of Mr. Lees, resigned.

The following have been appointed chairmen of examiners:—

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HISTORICAL TRIPOS, PART I.—Professor Barker, Litt.D.

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Imperial and Foreign News

THE HUNGARIAN POISONERS

WHOLE VILLAGE INVOLVED

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

SZOLNOK

The murders by poison at Szolnok have struck the imagination of the whole world. Isolated instances of persons getting rid of members of their families with the help of poison are not altogether rare ; but a whole village addicted to the practice for nearly 20 years, and dispatching a series of fathers and mothers, husbands and sons with the same uniform ruthlessness, is something new. Whatever its explanation—perverted morality, mass suggestion, or a primitive instinct for the preservation of society by the extermination of the unfit—the phenomenon is peculiar and striking.

Thirty-six persons in all have been put on their trial for murder before the Szolnok Court. All except two of them are women. Eight have so far stood their trial, and of these two have been acquitted, two sentenced to death, three to imprisonment for life, and one to imprisonment for 15 years. These are the three sentences which the Hungarian penal code provides for persons convicted of murder. There are three Judges on the bench, and the verdict rests with them, trial by jury having been suspended in Hungary since the short spell of Communist government which followed the War.

The charges are similar in every instance, and the accused are from the same locality—a remote corner of the flat Hungarian plain which stretches south-east from Budapest. Early last summer the Szolnok police received an anonymous letter informing them that a villager of this locality, who had ostensibly died from natural causes some time before, had in reality been poisoned with arsenic by his wife. This information bore out suspicions which had been founded some years before on country gossip and other anonymous letters, so far unconfirmed. The body in question was exhumed and found to contain arsenic. Inquiries were made and other bodies were dug up. In all, 50 bodies were investigated, 46 of which were found to contain arsenic.

POWER OF THE MIDWIFE

A number of people were arrested, mostly women. They all stoutly denied their guilt at first, but under cross-examination some of them confessed. The sum of the evidence revealed that arsenic poisoning had in the course of about 20 years become a well-established practice in that district. The first deaths traced date back to several years before the War; they were most frequent during the years 1921-23, and they have continued up to the present day. A fresh case has occurred even since the inquiry began. The poison was obtained by washing the paste off fly-papers. It was mainly supplied, and instructions for its use given, by the village midwife, an old witch of a woman known as Fazakas *néni*, or "Auntie Fazakas," who had a bad name with the police for procuring miscarriages. She had been charged several times, but the Court had never been able to obtain a conviction as no one in the village would give evidence against her.

Fazakas *néni* seems to have held a position in Tiszazug not unlike that of a witch-doctor in an African tribe. She was by far the strongest influence in the locality. Partly by force of character and partly by blackmail she had all the other women in the village under her thumb. In 1924 the authorities had exhumed a body on the strength of another anonymous letter ; on this occasion no arsenic was found. The old letter was examined again in the light of recent events, and the handwriting was found to bear a close resemblance to that of Fazakas. It was no doubt a trick to throw dust in the eyes of the police.

Fazakas *néni* was arrested and questioned. She was then released again and kept under observation in the hope that her movements and communications would betray other culprits. After a certain time orders were given for her arrest, but Fazakas *néni* had sworn that she would not go to prison. As soon as she heard that the gendarmes were coming she took poison herself and died before they could lay hands on her.

How was it possible in 20th-century Europe for crime of this dark character to become popularized to such an extent and to remain so long undiscovered ? The first important circumstance is the character of the locality. The name of Tiszazug is given to a sort of peninsula which is enclosed in a narrow bend of the River Tisza about 20 miles south of Szolnok. Nagyrev, the largest collection of houses in it, has about 2,000 inhabitants.

AN ISOLATED COMMUNITY

These people live, so to speak, at the end of the world, cut off from the rest of the country by the river and by a tongue of land which is waterlogged half the year. Little comes to them from outside to sharpen their wits. Their minds are absorbed by the struggle for existence, for the land is not easy to cultivate, and none of them has much of it. Their mental and physical standard has been lowered by long inbreeding. They cannot be regarded as an altogether primitive community, for there has been a school in Tiszazug for more than 100 years ; but in that backwater their minds stagnate.

I visited the 30 accused and convicted women in Szolnok prison. They proved to be a typical collection of middle-aged and elderly village bodies such as one can see on a market day in any country town in Central Europe. Anything less like a gang of poisoners one cannot imagine. Here and there were bad faces ; one evil-looking old hag with skin like a toad and furtive eyes looked the part of the village witch ; another hard-faced harridan whom one could imagine easily taking life was Marie Kardos, who had just been sentenced to death for dispatching her husband and son. But with these exceptions their black head-cloths framed simple, docile faces in which one could read no harm. In point of fact the answers given by most of the women at the trial revealed that they had only a faint idea of the awfulness of their crimes.

There is a particular circumstance which helps to account for this state of bliss. In out-of-the-way villages like these, where even the titular heads of the community, the mayor and the village schoolmaster, are on much the same cultural level as the rest, the moral tone depends entirely on the priest. At Tiszazug during the period in which most of the deaths occurred the pastor (the majority of the inhabitants belong to the Reformed Church) was an old man who saw little of his parishioners except in church. In the absence of any moral direction of control the women easily followed the lead of the midwife.

In searching for reasons for the murders the Hungarian journalists have been quick to discover some passionate motive, such as love or greed, as, for instance, in the case of Juliana Földvari, who is believed to have poisoned first her husband and then the man who lived with her after his death ; or in that of Julie Lipka, who dispatched first her bosom crony after the latter had bequeathed to her all her property, and then her half-brother and his wife, from whom she also inherited. After listening to the observations of Dr. Kronberg, the head of the legal executive of Szolnok county, who acts as public prosecutor, I am inclined to think that these conclusions have been pushed too far. The trial has so far been singularly devoid of dramatic colour. On the first day the Courthouse was packed with an eagerly interested crowd, but the attendance soon dwindled. In almost every case the idea of removing an unfit member of the family was probably uppermost. Nearly all of the persons who died by arsenic were, through illness, age, or drunkenness, burdens to their households, *bouches inutiles*. The fact that nearly all the victims were invalids helps to account for their deaths having attracted so little remark.

The practice easily spread. One village gossip, complaining of her trials, would be told by another in a whisper that Fazakas *néni* could give her a medicine which would put an end to them. The midwife had convinced her customers that it would be impossible to trace the use of "the water" ; it had neither taste nor smell ; if ever they were asked whether they had not put something in their rheumaticky husband's soup all that they had to do was stoutly to deny. So the word was passed from one to another. Nothing was remarked. No awkward questions were asked. The drones died one by one, but the word "murder" or "sin" was never pronounced. Like a flock of sheep the simple creatures followed Fazakas *néni's* advice, and the wicked old crone gathered in her fees. Eighty pengö (nearly £3) was a typical charge.

The women are remarkably secretive. Apparently in only two cases were men privy to the deed. It makes the task of elucidating the truth exceedingly difficult for the magistrates. In some cases the women confessed, then denied the truth of their confession, gave a new version, and then denied it again. As bedrock of the evidence there is always the presence of arsenic in the bodies ; the difficulty is to establish who administered it ; in one case there are as many as six suspects.

RHODESIA AND THE UNION

PROSPECTS OF NEW CUSTOMS CONFERENCE

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

CAPE TOWN, JAN. 28

The prospects of the renewed conference on Customs arrangements between Rhodesia and the Union, which opens here to-morrow, do not appear too favourable. Sir James Maxwell, the Governor, is not representing Northern Rhodesia, having sent three officials. Tobacco interests in South Africa are clamouring for a protective duty against Southern Rhodesian tobacco, and representative tobacco growers in South Africa have met for a conference here on the eve of the Customs conference. Pressure on the South African Government from this quarter is exceedingly heavy, and is backed by General Kemp, the Minister of Agriculture. The Southern Rhodesian delegates can hardly agree to terms by which South Africa would penalize Rhodesian tobacco growers, and advices from Rhodesia suggest that a strong section of public opinion there would not be adverse to another breakdown in the Customs conference.

On the other hand, there are substantial influences pressing for agreement, notably the mercantile and manufacturing interests in South Africa. The desirability of an agreement on political grounds is also generally admitted. But it would be foolish to anticipate that the conference will easily find a solution of its troubles, and the disposition at the moment among those having inside knowledge is towards pessimism.

Much will depend on the willingness and ability of Mr. Havenga, the Union Finance Minister, to impress a statesmanlike view on his Cabinet colleagues. General Hertzog is inclined to take a reasonable view of the situation, but both he and Mr. Havenga may succumb to the pressure of the farmers, who want protection against competition from Southern Rhodesia.

RED PROPAGANDA ABROAD

SOVIET'S NEW INTERNATIONAL FUND

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

RIGA, JAN. 28

The central council of the Profintern (Red Trade Union International) has issued urgent instructions to its executive bureau to organize a new international fund to be used to stimulate the revolutionary movement, particularly in Australia, India, South Africa, Latin America, and the Philippines, and to induce workers in the Mother Countries to give the maximum support to strikes and revolutionary outbursts in the colonies.

The international propaganda committees which are to be formed for this purpose must be taken outside the U.S.S.R., preferably to the industrial districts of Europe, but Soviet delegations to the committees must play a decisive role in their management. The Soviet trade unions must henceforth take international functions as "an integral part of their daily work" ; they must take over the leadership of the international working class in impending struggles, and must take the initiative in providing the finances for the organization of the committees.

ALLEGED MEXICAN MURDER PLOT

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

NEW YORK, JAN. 28

The Mexico City police announced to-day that they had frustrated a plot by followers of Señor José Vasconcelos, the defeated candidate for the Presidency, to assassinate President Portes Gil and the President-elect, Señor Ortiz Rubio, to blow up several public buildings and seize the reins of government. Several days ago they arrested 19 persons. Two of them, women, they released as guiltless. All the other 17, according to the Chief of Police, Señor Valento Quintana, have confessed to joining in the plot. Several of those arrested are students and their alleged leader, who is also under arrest, is a lawyer, named Roman Millan.

According to Señor Quintana, the plotters planned to massacre the guard at the Government power-plant and seize arms at the factory in the centre of the city. Then they were to shoot rockets loaded with dynamite into the air, and, while the terrorized population was running about in confusion, they were to shoot the President and President-elect and seize the government.

Our Lisbon correspondent says that Commander Cabecadas, who with the late Marshal Gomes da Costa and General Carmona was prominent in the *coup d'Etat* of May, 1926, has been appointed Governor of the Bank of Angola in place of Senhor Cunha Leal. When the general meeting of the Bank is held in March the shareholders will be asked to confirm the appointment.

FRENCH COLONIAL POLICY

SOCIALISTS AND FORCED LABOUR

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

PARIS, JAN. 28

The debate on the Budget for the Colonies was begun in the Chamber to-day. M. Piétri, Minister for the Colonies, who had returned from the Naval Conference for the purpose, was present, together with M. Chéron, Minister of Finance. The estimates called for an expenditure of 515,242,000fr. [approximately £4,277,000], an increase of 30,749,000fr. over last year's appropriation.

The report on the Budget, which appears in the name of M. Léon Archimbaud, is of particular interest at the present time since it deals with the chief reason put forward by this country to justify its naval claims. At the same time it reveals the increasing importance attached here to colonial development.

The report points out that public opinion, for so long indifferent to the significance of its vast possessions, has at last awakened to the necessity—realized by the British two centuries ago—of "thinking imperially." The War showed how even Germany, for all her industrial organization, was forced at last to yield before the vast oversea resources of the Allies. The report deals with two methods of Colonial development. The first consists in offering the products of civilization to the native, and by creating a demand for them creating also the necessary industry ; the second lies in the initiation of agricultural and industrial enterprise. Although the second of the two conceptions is admitted to be the better for all concerned, the report points out that in sparsely populated and primitive areas, such as West Africa, such a method of development is a long and difficult business.

The great difficulty facing French colonial enterprise is the lack of labour or the poorness of its quality, and sometimes a combination of the two. The report does not pretend either that forced labour is desirable or that it has been suppressed ; but it claims that some kind of compulsory system in some of the Colonies is essential at the moment in the interests of the inhabitants themselves. With the example of Dutch enterprise in Java as a standard, it is held that the French African Colonies should in 100 years be supporting in comfort 200,000,000 inhabitants, who will be guided and organized by an *élite* of Frenchmen, to the advantage of both sides.

The debate to-day opened with a Socialist attack, led by M. Nouelle, on forced labour in Equatorial Africa.

M. Nouelle accused the Government of countenancing a system of sheer slavery in conditions so vile that 20,000 natives had died at Brazzaville alone. He asked whether the Government was prepared to stop such "recruitment" or whether it was going to intensify it. The Government's policy in Indo-China was sharply criticized by M. Doriot, who warned the House that Communism was rife in the East, and that France would inevitably find herself dragged into a real struggle against the forces of Communism unless she was prepared to give much more freedom of expression to the people of the country.

M. Varenne, who replied defending the Government, admitted that there was room for improvement in Colonial administration, but pointed out that a spirit of discontent was not limited to French colonies, as could be realized by those who followed the present difficulties of Great Britain. Although independence for Indo-China was almost certainly an impossibility, the Government was anxious to give the natives a larger measure of control of their affairs as and when it became possible.

ANTARCTIC EXPLORATION FLIGHTS

WILKINS EXPEDITION'S PLANS

(From Sir Hubert Wilkins)

DECEPTION ISLAND, JAN. 27

We shall make two or three more exploration flights if successful in our race against the rapid approach of unfavourable weather. Our research vessel, the William Scoresby, with our Lockheed monoplane on floats, will leave here to-day for some point west of Peter I. Island. That will be our starting point for the flights, and our trip will last about three weeks.

We hope to fly from the edge of the pack ice to new land far south of us. If we can locate suitable ice for skis we will equip our aeroplane with these and fly over the Ross Sea.

All our plans depend on the weather. Desperate attempts against bad weather at this late season are not warranted : in case of accident rescue would be difficult.

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BRITISH RATIFICATION OF OPTIONAL CLAUSE

AUSTRALIAN FEARS

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

MELBOURNE, JAN. 28

The *Argus*, in the course of a leading article on the debate in the House of Commons yesterday on the Optional Clause, describes the defeat of the Unionist amendment [which urged an additional reservation to safeguard the freedom of action of the British Navy] as "unwelcome news for Australia." The newspaper says :—

The risk Great Britain takes is serious enough, but Australia's safety is endangered. The decision must make the utility of the Navy at a time of international crisis very uncertain. At any moment the fate of the Empire may be dependent upon a judgment of a foreign Court. Nothing which was urged in favour of the action to which the Commons has agreed can alter the fact that it means a less powerful Navy, if only for the reason that its operations in war time will be liable to restriction at the bidding of a tribunal owing no allegiance to the Empire. Without the protection of a strong British Navy, Australia is helpless. The House of Commons as at present constituted is indeed proving a poor friend to the Commonwealth.

GREEK SHARE OF REPARATIONS

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

ATHENS, JAN. 28

M. Venizelos, the Prime Minister, spoke for two-and-a-half hours in the Chamber last night on his activities at The Hague Conference.

According to the figures given by M. Venizelos, Greece will receive £300,000 annually for 59 years from German reparations ; an average of £341,000 annually for 36 years from Bulgaria ; £363,000 annually from Hungarian reparations for 18 years ; and £87,900 annually for 37 years, being the value of *bienscédés*, from Czechoslovakia. Thus Greece will receive from reparations an annual mean sum of £1,182,400, as against the £200,000 received up to the present from Germany, and the £30,000 from Bulgaria. Greece pays for War debts an annual mean sum of £386,700 to Great Britain, £64,000 to the United States, and £25,000 to France, an annual total of £476,000. The Greek Budget will now benefit from reparations by £706,000 annually for the first 14 years and £344,000 for the remaining 22 years. Besides the foregoing sums, the Conference granted Greece compensation for losses suffered by Greek citizens during the period of neutrality.

In conclusion, M. Venizelos said that Greece, in common with other countries, was passing through anxious times, but that a country which managed to pay off annually 1,000,000,000 drachmas of National Debt justified optimism with regard to its future.

Floods in several low-lying parts of the Riviera have caused a temporary interruption of traffic, and several houses have been evacuated. The rain ceased yesterday morning and the floods are now subsiding.

INDIAN MEDICAL SERVICE

REVIVAL OF EXAMINATIONS URGED

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

DELHI, JAN. 28

Mr. M. R. Jayakar, leader of the Nationalist Party in the Legislative Assembly, introduced this morning a resolution recommending the Government of India to revive competitive examinations for the recruitment of the Indian Medical Service, which have been in abeyance for 14 years, to hold them annually in India, and to make it obligatory for entrants to hold a medical qualification registrable in India.

Examinations for entrance to the I.M.S. were suspended in 1915 owing to the War, and it has since proved impossible to induce British candidates to sit for the examinations. The present situation has naturally given rise to a demand for increased facilities for Indian recruitment. Under the Secretary of State's orders, 67 per cent. of the appointments are reserved for British recruits and 33 per cent. for Indians, but British recruits can be secured only by selection and by the offer, as a special inducement, of the right to retire on gratuity after a brief period of service—a right which, however, is rarely exercised. Meanwhile, Indian medical students are pressing for wider facilities to enter the service.

Mr. Jayakar had made it plain in his speech that his demand for insistence on degrees registrable in India was in reply to the British Medical Council's threat not to recognize Indian medical degrees without special inspection. Now that the Indian medical colleges were passing under the control of Indian doctors there should, he said, be reciprocity in these matters.

In reply to this point the Government spokesman said that the recommendation, if given effect to, would operate harshly against Indian medical men who held British degrees. The Government proposed shortly to introduce a Bill for the establishment of an Indian Medical Council corresponding to the Councils in Australia, New Zealand, and Canada.

The fate of Mr. Jayakar's resolution was settled by the English Non-Official Group. Colonel Gidney, formerly of the I.M.S., an Anglo-Indian member of the group, personally offered to support the motion if it were amended so as to make the demand one for simultaneous examinations in England and India.

Sir Darcy Lindsay, the group leader, then formally moved an amendment in the terms Colonel Gidney had suggested, but further providing that the degree registrable in India should be obligatory only for the entrants' examination in India.

The resolution, thus amended, was adopted, the Government not challenging a division.

THE DELHI ASSEMBLY INCIDENT

MEMBERS AND MR. PATEL

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

DELHI, JAN. 28

The dispute between the Government of India and Mr. Patel, President of the Legislative Assembly, in regard to the control of the public galleries has not been settled, and the galleries remain empty owing to the President's refusal to issue tickets. Mr. Arthur Moore, a member of the non-official European group, to-day asked Mr. Patel whether it was his intention, without consulting the House, to keep the galleries empty indefinitely.

Mr. Patel.—The hon. member should give notice.

The non-official European members, as a group, are opposed to any step likely to precipitate a storm over the matter in the Chamber, especially as the Viceroy summoned their leader for a conversation about the trouble. The attitude of the Indian parties is similar. There is a general hope that the Viceroy will discover a path to a settlement, but no one knows what development is shaping behind the scenes, and the impatience among non-official members is growing.

INDIAN AIR MAIL

PROPOSED EXTENSION TO BOMBAY

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

BOMBAY, JAN. 28

After having practically given up hope of seeing a regular air service between Bombay and Karachi within the next 18 months, Bombay now learns that, provided a suitable landing ground is obtainable here, and also if the public will promise its support, Imperial Airways are prepared to institute a regular air mail service between this city and Karachi as soon as the monsoon is over.

Although the Government of India imposes a surcharge on letters sent by air mail from Karachi to Delhi, Imperial Airways state there will be no surcharge on letters sent from Karachi to Bombay. Since it is hoped to shorten the time between London and Karachi by one day, a total saving of three days will be made if the Bombay-Karachi service is introduced. Imperial Airways propose to circularize mercantile firms here, asking for an estimate of the amount of mail which can be guaranteed. At present about a quarter of a ton is carried weekly by air from India to Europe.

RECORD ATTENDANCE AT INDIAN FESTIVAL

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

ALLAHABAD, JAN. 28

It is expected that between two and three million pilgrims will be present to-morrow at the Kumbh Mela (Bathing Festival), held every twelfth year at the junction of the Ganges and Jumna rivers at Allahabad. Pilgrims have been arriving in great crowds during the past few days. A dispute arose yesterday at the Mela between a number of Sadhus (a Hindu sect) and Sevati Samiti scouts, a voluntary organization which does useful work in helping the pilgrims. The Sadhus attempted to force an entrance into the scouts' camp, and later attacked the police station on the Mela ground. Armed and mounted police restored order. Seven Sadhus and ten scouts were injured, but none seriously.

HEAVY RAINS IN QUEENSLAND

LONG DROUGHT BROKEN

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

BRISBANE, JAN. 28

The drought that has held in its grip wide areas of the pastoral districts of Queensland for periods ranging from four to seven years has been definitely broken by the occurrence of general monsoon rains.

Since the rains began last week several inches have been registered over the whole of the pastoral country, and large areas are now under water. At Barcaldine a boat was towed along the main street, a spectacle never hitherto seen there. The Bulloo, Warrego, and Thomson rivers and Cooper's Creek are several miles wide, showing the greatest volume of water seen in those watercourses for 12 years. The floods may cause some slight damage to towns along the western watercourses, but that will go unnoticed in the general expression of relief at the breaking of one of the worst droughts on record.

A RELIC OF BUDDHA

DISCOVERY IN MADRAS

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

DELHI, JAN. 28

Buddhists everywhere will be interested in the discovery by Mr. A. H. Longhurst, Superintendent of the Southern Circle of the Indian Archæological Survey, of what the department regards as an authentic relic of Buddha.

The relic was found in the course of excavations which have extended over two years at Nagarjunikonda (Nagarjuna's Hill), an ancient Buddhist site on the right bank of the Krishna River in the Palnad Taluq of the Guntur District of the Madras Presidency, where many examples of the Amravati School of sculpture and important inscriptions in the Brahmi script of the third century have been found. The inscriptions, mainly on the shafts of the stone pillars of a large ruined *stupa* (relic shrine), show that the monument was founded by Princess Chantisiri of the Ikkhaku Dynasty, which reigned in the Andhra country in the Lower Krishna District during the second and third centuries, and was called Mahachaitya, or the great *stupa*. It was consecrated by the deposit of a relic (*dhatu*) of the Buddha himself. Dr. Hirananda Sastri, Government epigraphist, says that the exact wording of the majority of the inscriptions is sanctified by the sacred *dhatu* of the perfectly Enlightened One.

Mr. Longhurst found remains showing that the *stupa* was originally a massive brick and plaster cupola, resting on a drum plinth 5ft. high and 102ft. in diameter. It was surrounded by a gated wall enclosing a procession path, and in the plan it takes the form of a wheel, the spokes being represented by the brick walls radiating from the centre of the structure, while two inner circular walls divide it into 40 little chambers filled with earth. Mr. Longhurst found in one of these chambers on the north side a broken earthenware pot, filled with hard red earth, in which were embedded a few white crystal beads near the surface. The earth was then sifted and a tiny round box ¾in. in diameter was discovered. The box contained a fragment of bone, about the size of a pea. This box, with a few gold flowers, pearls, and garnets, was originally enclosed in a silver casket shaped like a miniature *stupa* 2¼in. high. The casket was corroded and broken, but members of the Archæological Survey say that as this relic is the only one recovered from this *stupa* it is, in all probability, the very relic of Buddha himself mentioned in the inscriptions.

Other important discoveries at Nagarjunikonda include four Buddhist monasteries, six temples, and several smaller *stupas*, some of the latter faced with sculptured limestone slabs, similar in style to the beautiful Amravati reliefs in British and Madras museums. Over 100 magnificent panels, illustrating scenes from the life of Buddha and other subjects, have been recovered. Much more is expected from continued researches on this site.

** Nagarjuna, who flourished in the latter half of the second century, was important as the founder of the Mahayana sect of Buddhism. The earlier sect (Hinayana or "Lesser Vehicle") aimed at the benefit of the individual only, whereas the "Greater Vehicle" had as its chief goal the attainment of Buddhahood with a view to save all living creatures through all the ages to come.

Sir Thomas Beecham, who will be one of the conductors at Cologne during the Operatic Fortnight, has consented to conduct the opening performance of the festival, *Die Meistersinger*, on April 21, and Mozart's *Così fan Tutte* on April 29. It is also hoped that his engagements will permit him to conduct one other opera during the Cologne Fortnight, possibly Richard Strauss's *Salome*.

AUSTRIAN RELATIONS WITH GERMANY

PARTY LEADER'S PLAIN SPEAKING

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

VIENNA, JAN. 28

A storm of recrimination has been raised in Germany and Austria by a speech by Herr Kunschak, leader of the Christian Social Party—the strongest political party in Austria—and the Chancellor, Herr Schober, will have a delicate task in allaying it.

Speaking of the economic plight of Austria, Herr Kunschak drew attention to the four years of futile endeavours by Austria to obtain from Germany a commercial agreement which would leave the trade between the two countries not one-sidedly to the advantage of Germany, as it is now. The German Government, he said, was probably unconscious of the fact that the two countries were linked by a common destiny, and he described it as a painful sign when Austrians in Tirol, Salzburg, and Upper Austria spoke of certain of the German border towns as enemy country.

Commenting on Austro-German relations, the *Neue Freie Presse* asks why Austria and Germany should not have been able to initiate cordial economic relations at least as quickly as Germany was able to do with France. While the value of Austrian exports to Germany decreased by 52,000,000 schillinge [approximately £1,500,000] in the first 10 months of 1929, that of German exports to Austria increased in the same period by 44,000,000 schillinge [approximately £1,300,000]. An enduring trade agreement with Germany must be reached at an early date, the newspaper says, "because it is unthinkable that Austria's ruin should be permitted to continue at the present pace."

Herr Kunschak's attack on the German Government has undoubtedly displeased all those here who have set themselves the task of leading Austria into the German fold.

RUSSIAN GENERAL'S FATE

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE IN PARIS

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

PARIS, JAN. 28

General Koutepof, regarded as a leader of the colony of Russian *émigrés* here, has been missing since Sunday. Fears are entertained by his compatriots as to his fate. On Sunday morning he was to have attended a memorial service at a Russian Church in the Rue Mademoiselle. The service was to begin at 11 o'clock, and General Koutepof left his house in the Rue Rousselet at half-past 10. He was not seen again. It is known that he did not pass a point in an adjacent street which lay on his way to the church, where he was to have been met.

For some years General Koutepof had been head of the organization of Russian ex-Service men here, the purposes of which were primarily benevolent but also political. He enjoyed a degree of authority greater than any other Russian General among the military section of the Russian *émigrés*. As head of this organization he was particularly disliked by the Bolshevists, who believed that the organization maintained a certain amount of communication with Russia. In consequence of this he had been advised to refrain from going out unattended, and had followed this advice until a few months ago, when he protested that it was absurd.

The General's career in Russia both before and after the War was distinguished. He was Colonel of the Preobrajensky Guards, and after the War fought with both Denikin and Wrangel. He was physically a strong man, and it is thought unlikely that he could have been attacked in the open street in broad daylight.

The police, who are well aware of General Koutepof's political and benevolent interests, have been making inquiries, but so far nothing has become known as to the result.

Telegrams in Brief

The first Vatican City wedding has been celebrated in the Vatican Parish Church.

A Soviet tribunal at Voronezh has sentenced to death two village priests who were charged with non-payment of a special tax.

Mr. Justice Dethridge, president of the Australian Arbitration Court, has made an award reducing wages in the fruit-growing industry.

The seaplane in which Warrant-Officer Dal Molin was killed while flying over Lake Garda on January 18 was recovered on Sunday. The airman's body was not in it.

Sir Esme Howard, the retiring British Ambassador to the United States, and Lady Howard have arrived at Government House, Ottawa, on a farewell visit to Canada.

Mr. Scullin, the Australian Prime Minister, has sent a message of congratulation to Mr. F. C. Chichester, the New Zealand airman who recently flew alone from Croydon to Australia.

The hearing of the application by the British authorities for the extradition of Francis Lorang, which was to have taken place in Paris yesterday, has been postponed for a week.

An action for seditious libel is being brought by the Jamaican Government against Marcus Garvey, the negro agitator, who has accused the Government of attempting to shed innocent blood.

Mr. Hopetoun Gabriel Stokes has been appointed a member of the Madras Executive Council in succession to Sir Thomas Moir, who, as a result of serious illness, has been forbidden to do any arduous work.

Our Paris Correspondent states that by the will of his widow the collection of relics of Anatole France are bequeathed to the Musée Galliera. The collection includes the large paper editions of his works and letters written by him to his wife.

Hassanein Bey, the explorer of the Libyan Desert, who was on a flight from Croydon to Egypt, has met with a mishap. His aeroplane crashed as he was landing at the air port at Pisa yesterday. The machine overturned, but Hassanein Bey escaped unhurt.—*Reuter.*

AIR ACCIDENTS IN U.S.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

NEW YORK, JAN. 28

The pilot and four passengers of an air liner were killed yesterday at Fairfax Airport, near Kansas City, when the machine sideslipped at a height of 500ft. as the pilot was attempting to make a landing after a journey from Wichita, Kansas.

When the aeroplane struck the ground there was an explosion. The fire that followed burned the bodies beyond recognition. The dead are Mr. Dyke Laudeman, the pilot; Mr. C. R. McKinnon and Mr. James B. Eggert, Chicago business men; Miss Margaret Dice, St. Joseph, Missouri: and Mr. William Flynn, Kansas City, a theatre proprietor.

Mr. Gordon Smith, who was learning to fly, and Mr. Jack Loasby, an instructor in flying, were killed at Rochester, New York State. The machine crashed when Mr. Smith was trying to make a landing.

"RED" PROPAGANDA IN FRANCE

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

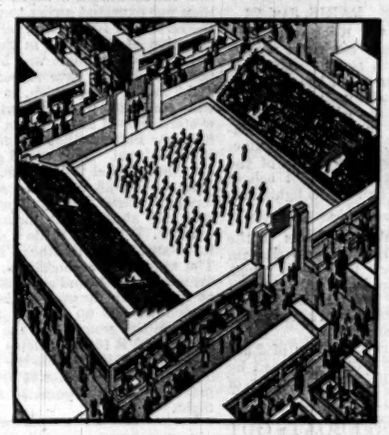
PARIS, JAN. 28

The police of Nancy have arrested a third civilian on a charge of being concerned in a Communist plot to spread sedition in the Army and factories in the region and elsewhere in France. He is André Rouchon, editor of a Communist newspaper, *La Lorraine Ouvrière et Paysanne*.

The police allege that they have discovered documents at the house of Lhote, one of the two other civilians arrested, showing that he had solicited and received a subscription for the purchase of machine guns for the "Red Army."

Other Foreign News on following page

OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE



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THE SPANISH DICTATOR

RESIGNATION OF OFFICE

SWIFT ACTION

NEW MINISTER APPOINTED

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

MADRID, JAN. 28

The Marqués de Estella, the Prime Minister, resigned to-day, and General Berenguer has been named by the King as his successor.

To-night a Council of Ministers was held to consider the situation which had arisen. The Marqués de Estella left the Council Chamber at 8 p.m., after the Council had sat for an hour and a half. When passing through the crowd of Pressmen in the antechamber, he said simply, "I am going to dress and proceed to the Palace." As it is etiquette that Prime Ministers shall resign in full uniform, it was as if he had said, "I am going to hand to the King the resignation of the Cabinet."

On leaving the Palace this evening, the Marqués informed Press representatives that he had presented to King Alfonso the resignation of the Cabinet and that his Majesty had asked General Berenguer to form a new Cabinet. He added that the reason for his resignation was personal and concerned his health. He then returned to the Council Chamber, where he informed the Ministers that the King had accepted the resignation of the Cabinet.

In none of these conversations, as officially reported, was any allusion made to the result of the consultation of the 17 high officers of the Army and Navy. The King was most complimentary when speaking to the Marqués de Estella and asked him to thank the Ministers for their loyalty and devotion.

To-night, the Marqués de Estella will prepare an announcement to the nation, informing the people of the end of his dictatorship. The statement is awaited with much curiosity. There is not the slightest indication at present whether the new Government will be a continuation of the Dictatorship in another form or whether General Berenguer, who was formerly affiliated to the party of Count Romanones, will endeavour to form a constitutional Cabinet.

The news of the resignation spread like wildfire, and the word was on everyone's lips that those who draw the sword shall perish by the sword. For some months the Marqués de Estella has been struggling to maintain the fiction of discipline in the Army. His recent appeal to the Captains-General was in the nature of a last desperate expedient.

The most curious feature of the situation, and one which is reassuring for the maintenance of law and order, is the detachment with which the nation appears to be regarding the crisis. It is as if it were looking on at a show. It is not known what the reply of the Captains-General has been, but evidently it was sufficiently dubious to justify the King in withdrawing his confidence from the Marqués de Estella; and the adverse opinion of the Army must be considered as the primary cause of the crisis.

FORMER DICTATOR'S CAREER

SIX YEARS IN POWER

Events have moved swiftly to a climax in Spain. It was only on Sunday that it was announced that the Marqués de Estella, virtual Dictator since September, 1923, had decided to consult the Army and the Navy on the continuance of the Dictatorship. None of the Ministers was consulted before he took this course, nor was the King informed. Within five minutes of a decision against him, he declared, he would throw up his office.

The fallen Dictator was born in 1870, and since he reached the age of 14 (when he entered the General Military Academy) his life has been divided between the Army and politics. At 27 he was a lieutenant-colonel. His first political speech, in 1916, cost him his office of Military Governor of Cadiz. It contained the famous phrase, "Ceuta for Gibraltar, and to hell with the rest of Morocco." In 1922 he was appointed Captain-General at Barcelona.

On September 13, 1923, after a year of preparing and plotting, he carried out the *coup d'Etat* which called into being a Military Directory. On his own authority he proclaimed martial law, and, in the name of the Army, demanded the dismissal of the Cabinet. On the following day the King, over the telephone, accepted the proposal for the setting up of the Directory. To his new task the Marqués de Estella brought great energy, resourcefulness, and geniality. His outstanding constructive achievement was the defeat of Abdel Krim and the establishment of Spanish authority in Morocco after a succession of military set-backs which had sorely tried the resources and the temper of the nation.

The opposition to his rule grew, in spite of the Dictator's achievements in Morocco and at home. In 1926 and 1929 there were revolts of Artillery officers and his efforts to conciliate the political leaders under the old régime. The Army—the instrument which brought him to power—came at last to distrust the usefulness of his continued rule.

THE NEW PRIME MINISTER

General Berenguer, who succeeds the Marqués de Estella, is one of the most distinguished officers in the Spanish Army—a military man without being a militarist, he has been described. His work as Minister for War was so successful that in 1919 he was sent by the Government to Spanish Morocco with full powers to deal with the situation there.

The disaster at Anual occurred in 1921, but for two years General Berenguer was maintained in power, and was publicly congratulated in Parliament by Ministers for his work as High Commissioner and Commander-in-Chief. In 1922 he resigned, and in the following year it was decided to put him on trial for negligence in his duties and responsibility for the rout of 1921. By the sentence of the Supreme Military Court, promulgated in June, 1924, he was placed on the Reserve list, but in less than a month he was amnestied. In March, 1925, he was appointed Captain-General at Corunna, and in 1926 he was selected by the King as the Chief of his Military Household.

TRAFFIC IN DRUGS

SWISS GOVERNMENT DIFFICULTIES

(FROM OUR LEAGUE CORRESPONDENT)

GENEVA, JAN. 28

Although it became clear yesterday that the activities of the Egyptian Central Narcotics Intelligence Bureau would result in the closing of two or three of the principal channels by which dangerous drugs are sent from Europe to the Near East, further discussion in the League Opium Advisory Committee to-day of the problems arising from the revelations made by Russell Pasha indicated certain difficulties in the way of an immediate and complete control of the European drug traffic.

The French delegate, M. Bourgois, repeated his promise of a new decree, which in a few days would introduce in France a complete system of drug supervision, and the Swiss delegate, Dr. Carrière, insisted that under the new Swiss system of drug supervision (which comes into force on Saturday next) a repetition of such cases as those revealed by Russell Pasha's officers and the Swiss police would not be possible. But Dr. Carrière admitted that it had been impossible to withdraw the licence of a Swiss manufacturer of large quantities of drugs reaching Egypt, because his licence had been granted by the Zürich Cantonal authority and not by the Federal authorities. Owing to the complicated character of the relationships between the Swiss Federation and the Cantons, a judgment of the Courts would practically be necessary before the licence could be withdrawn. Action on lines which had been suggested by the British delegate would require a revision of the relations between the Federation and the Cantons. Such a revision was contemplated, and meanwhile it was proposed to act indirectly by administrative measures. The nature of those measures, however, could not be publicly indicated, as traffickers might thus be forewarned.

At the beginning of the session Sir Malcolm Delevingne, the British delegate, produced a detailed list of European firms whose names had been associated with Russell Pasha's and earlier drug revelations, and asked what control had been placed upon the activities of those firms. It was in reply to this question that M. Bourgois and Dr. Carrière made their statements. Sir Malcolm also expressed his conviction that in a number of cases the forwarding agencies were playing the part of accomplices. The Portuguese delegate, Senhor Vasconcellos, held that the penalties on traffickers were insufficient, and the Chinese delegate, M. Woo Kaiseng, suggested that extraterritoriality caused much of the trouble experienced by the Chinese police in their efforts to cope with the illicit drug traffic, as it enabled many of the traffickers to leave China and escape punishment. M. Woo Kaiseng drew attention to the statement made by the British delegate that the British authorities would immediately withdraw protection in the case of persons engaged in smuggling.

Russell Pasha thanked the committee for its appreciative references to the work of his bureau, and mentioned the names of the principal members of the bureau responsible for the results already achieved. He hoped at a later date to give the committee the result of other important investigations which the bureau had in hand.

BRITISH STEAMER LOST

GALLANT RESCUES

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

BIARRITZ, JAN. 28

The British steamer Knebworth, on a voyage from Blyth to Bayonne with a cargo of coals, encountered a heavy gale yesterday and went ashore in Biarritz Bay last night. She broke in two this morning abaft the funnel, and the after part is nearly submerged. Heavy seas and the great gale greatly hampered the work of rescue. Eventually a life-line was got to the ship, and several of the men were brought ashore. Communication was then broken, but efforts to rescue the remainder of the crew continue.

The names of the men saved are given as follows:—William Tait, Henry Coutts, W. Alexander, Ralph Birlinson, Thomas Blackburn, Basley Hansen, Norman Wright, and Richard Waller. A very heavy sea is still running. Robert Tait, donkeyman, was washed overboard last night and drowned.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

PARIS, JAN. 28

It appears that the Knebworth sent out a wireless message last night reporting that she was in serious difficulties and asking that a tug might be sent. The message was received by the port radio station at Bordeaux, which, however, failed to establish further communication with the vessel. The tug Tourbillon was sent out in the early hours of the morning. The Knebworth went ashore on the rocks at the foot of the lighthouse at Biarritz.

Lloyd's state that the owners of the Knebworth have received a telegram stating that the crew have been saved, but a Reuter message last night said that 15 men remained on the wreck. A Biarritz message to Lloyd's says the Knebworth is a total loss.

The Knebworth is a steamer of 2,555 tons gross, built in 1919, and owned by the Robert Stanley Shipping Company, of Newcastle.

EAST COAST LIFEBOATS OUT

The Sheringham sailing lifeboat was launched at 9.30 last night in response to flares seen off Sheringham and east-north-east of Weybourne. An hour later the Cromer lifeboat was summoned and went in a northerly direction to help the Sheringham boat. The sea was calm and the air clear.

CROSSWORDS

A DAILY PUZZLE IN "THE TIMES"

The institution of a weekly crossword puzzle in *The Times* has brought a widespread demand from readers for a daily puzzle. A new series will therefore be begun in *The Times* next Saturday, and will continue every day. The solution of each puzzle will be given in the issue following its publication.

The solution of the puzzle from *The Times Weekly Edition* which was given last Thursday will be published, together with a new puzzle, to-morrow, when the next issue of the *Weekly Edition* appears.

THE INVALIDS

The following bulletin concerning Lord Gladstone was issued yesterday morning:—"Lord Gladstone's condition to-day is giving cause for anxiety." Lord Gladstone was reported last night to be about the same.

The condition of Lady Reading, who is seriously ill at her home in Curzon-street, was yesterday stated to be unchanged.

Madame Kirkby Lunn was reported last night to have had a fairly good day and to be a little better.

COMPANY MEETINGS

Reports of the following meetings appear in our City pages:—

Aldershot Gas, Water and District Lighting.
Bengal and North-Western Railway.
Martins Bank.
J. Alfred Pratt and Company.
Provincial Electric Supply.
Sun Life Assurance Society.

FOREIGNERS IN SHANGHAI

NEW LEGAL PLAN

CHINESE CONTROL PROPOSED

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

SHANGHAI, JAN. 28

Wang Chung-hui, President of the Judicial Yuan, yesterday disclosed the main points of the new agreement relating to the Shanghai Provisional Court which, having been negotiated by delegates of the Powers and the Chinese Government, is now under consideration by the Diplomatic Body at Peking.

Under this agreement Consular officials will no longer have the right to watch proceedings; the foreign chief clerkship is abolished; the executive police officers will be appointed by the Court; prisons, hitherto under the sole control of the Municipal Council, will be under the charge of the Chinese authorities; a branch of the High Court will be established by the Government to function as a Court of Appeal for the reorganized Court, with a final appeal to the Supreme Court at Nanking; only Chinese civil and criminal procedures shall be applied; the agreement is to be effective for three years.

The conditions set forth appear to involve the complete surrender of control by the Municipal Council, but it is understood that, though the Court will appoint its own police, the force for the purpose will be seconded from the municipal police and will be under an officer who will keep close watch in all matters affecting the maintenance of order within the International Settlement.

Comment may be reserved until the full text of the agreement is available, but it is permissible to say now that the agreement causes a good deal of misgiving among qualified observers as increasing the opportunity for the abuses which arise in Chinese judicial administration and as undermining the power of the Municipal Council, which is responsible for the welfare of the Shanghai settlement.

It was stated a few days ago by Wang Chung-hui that if the agreement is not signed this month the Government will proceed with the reorganization of the Court as from February 1, a threat of unilateral action not calculated to create a favourable atmosphere for an experiment whose processes will demand much good will and close cooperation among all concerned if it is to succeed.

R 100 STILL FLYING

CRUISE OVER SOUTHERN ENGLAND

(From Our Aeronautical Correspondent)

CARDINGTON, JAN. 28

R 100 continued her cruise over Southern England to-day, and is expected to return to the mooring tower here to-morrow morning, when she has completed a flight of 48 hours, unless there should be some marked deterioration in the weather in the meantime.

At 1 a.m. to-day she was over Dover, and she continued her tour of the coastline, reporting herself 16 miles east of Lowestoft at 4.30 a.m. and being seen faintly through the clouds at Yarmouth some time after 7 a.m. At 8.15 a.m. she was over the Newark light-vessel, proceeding in a south-westerly direction, and at 10.15 a.m. a message from the ship stated that she was over London. There was a thick mist at the time, and it is doubtful whether anyone saw her, though many people heard the sound of her engines. Nothing more was reported until 1.30 p.m., when R 100 sent a signal that she was nine miles south by east of Swanage. From there she set a westerly course, and at 4.47 was over Portland Bill still heading for the West. At 7.20 she had reached Plymouth, which was visited yesterday, and for the first time since the flight began she reported that she was in clear weather, and apparently this opportunity was being taken to carry out some turning trials.

Late weather forecasts here indicate that the conditions to-night will be better than was expected earlier to-day, and this should help R 100 to carry out the original intention of remaining in the air for the full 48 hours. There are 56 people on board, and they have already spent one night in the ship, which, it is expected, will continue to manœuvre over the western side of England, as the weather forecasts indicate that a wind may come from the west. This would give the ship a following wind to her base.

If she should decide to return before daylight, there would, of course, be no difficulty about night mooring in clear weather. R 100 has made a most successful return to the masthead late at night. The temperature conditions, in fact, are far more equable and generally favourable at night than during the day, when the sun's heat sets up varying temperatures between the ground and the layers of air above. If R 100 completes a 48 hours' flight she will have made the longest flight of the new airships, for R 101, so far, has not done much beyond 30 hours in one flight.

AIR RACE ROUND EUROPE

DETAILS OF THE COURSE

(From Our Aeronautical Correspondent)

The International Touring Race for light aeroplanes, to which reference was made recently in *The Times* and which includes England for the first time, is to be supported by entries from Germany, Spain, France, England, Poland, Switzerland, and Czechoslovakia. The start and finish will be at Berlin, and obligatory stops are to be made at Brunswick, Frankfort, Rheims, St. Ingelvert, Bristol, London, Paris, Poitiers, Pau, Madrid, Seville, Barcelona, Nimes, Lyon, Lausanne, Berne, Munich, Vienna, Prague, Breslau, Cracow, Warsaw, and Königsberg or Danzig. The race starts on July 20 and the finish at Berlin is on August 7.

NEW BRITISH MINISTER TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA

The Foreign Office announces that the King has approved the appointment of Mr. Joseph Addison, his Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Riga, Reval, and Kovno, to be Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Prague.

Mr. Addison entered the Diplomatic Service from the Foreign Office in 1906, and in the following year acted as Assistant Secretary to the British delegates at the second Hague Peace Conference. After serving for two years in Peking, he returned to the Foreign Office, where he remained until 1913. He was promoted Acting First Secretary in Paris in 1917 and three years later Counsellor of Embassy, to serve in Berlin. He was appointed Envoy Extraordinary at Riga, Reval, and Kovno in 1927.

NEW TOTALISATORS

Two mechanized portable totalisators, which have been approved by the Betting Control Board, were tested yesterday, one on the Folkestone racecourse and the other on the racecourse at Thirsk. A description of the working of the machine at Folkestone will be found on page 6.

WORK OF THE CONFERENCE

PLENARY MEETING ARRANGED

THE COMMITTEE TO FRAME AGENDA

A plenary meeting of the Naval Conference has been called for to-morrow morning at St. James's Palace. The decision was taken at a meeting of the heads of the delegations yesterday morning, when the task of collecting, selecting, and arranging the subjects which are to be brought before the Conference in due course was continued.

From the outset the delegates have recognized the desirability of summoning the full Conference at the earliest possible moment. But it must not be inferred from the fact that the Conference has been called together that the agenda has now been agreed upon, or that it has been possible to reconcile the differing views as to the order in which the various problems before the delegates should be discussed. To-morrow's meeting will be devoted to the appointment of a committee—drawn from the five delegations—to go on with the work of framing the agenda of the Conference. The terms of reference of this "steering committee" will also be settled. The principal delegates have been discussing the programme of the Conference for over a week in private. To-morrow they will appoint a committee to continue formally what they have informally begun. The fact that a plenary meeting has been called is an indication that the private discussions have gone a long way towards the settlement of the terms of reference of the proposed committee. That is the best indication that some progress with the preliminary work of the Conference has been made.

Up to the present the French and the Italian proposals on the subject of the agenda have been the only ones before the delegations. A change has now been introduced as the British delegation has renewed its original proposal for limitation of tonnage strictly by categories, and the Italian delegates may therefore withhold for the present their suggestion that there should be first of all agreement on the general level of naval strength and on the percentages to be allotted to each Power. In that case the first subjects for consideration would be not the rival French and Italian "theses" but the divergent French and British proposals for limitation by total tonnage or by categories.

INFORMAL MEETINGS

The informal meetings between the delegates were continued yesterday afternoon. At 4.30 the British and Japanese delegations met, and an hour later there was a meeting between the British and the French delegates. Both these meetings were held in the Prime Minister's room at the House of Commons in order to cause as little interruption as possible of the Parliamentary work of the British representatives. At the close of the meeting with the Japanese Delegation the following official announcement was issued:—

The Japanese and British Commonwealth delegations met to-day at 4.30 in the Prime Minister's room at the House of Commons and discussed questions in which both countries are interested. Certain points were referred to the experts for report.

To-morrow's plenary meeting of the Conference will be held in the presence of the Press. There is no room in St. James's Palace large enough to allow of the holding of a meeting in the presence of the 200 or 300 journalists who are describing the Conference for the newspapers and newsagencies of the world; but accommodation can be provided for 78 journalists and it is proposed that this should be allocated as follows:—Great Britain, 12; France, 12; America, 12; the Dominions, 12; Japan, 11; Italy, 6; and countries not directly represented at the Conference, 13. Permission was also obtained to instal loud speakers in another large room in St. James's Palace for the benefit of those journalists who have to be crowded out of the Conference room itself.

The delegates were entertained at dinner by the Pilgrims last night. Lord Grey of Fallodon, who presided, proposed the toast of the Conference, and Signor Grandi replied—in English, as is his custom—on behalf of all the delegations. He declared that the peoples expected "actual and not merely apparent reductions" in naval armaments, that they were no longer satisfied with commonplaces and "glittering generalities," but were "waiting to compare deeds with words." Mr. Henderson also spoke. A report of the dinner will be found on page 19.

An address by Mr. Stimson on the Conference and its purposes was broadcast last night to the peoples of America and Great Britain. Mr. Stimson explained the problems before the delegates and uttered a "word of caution" against the rumours of "crises" which have been circulated in some quarters. The address is fully reported on page 19.

FRENCH VIEW OF ITALIAN CLAIM

M. BRIAND CRITICIZED

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

PARIS, JAN. 28

It was to be expected that the conversations between France and Italy would give rise to some sharp comment here, and the expectation was certainly fulfilled to-day. "Pertinax," who is acting as Special Correspondent in London of the *Echo de Paris*, holds M. Briand responsible for the melancholy fact that Franco-Italian relations are forced to bear the burden of the first clash. "Pertinax" ascribes the difficulties of the French delegation to a dispatch sent by M. Briand, or authorized by him to be sent, on December 23, 1921, to M. Sarraut, and published in the French Yellow Book of Documents on the naval conversations of that period. The dispatch is as follows:—

With regard to Italy, as to light forces and submarines, we are making no obstacle to her obtaining the same figure as ourselves; but we do not admit that the figure demanded by her should be the basis for determining our own.

Thus, observes "Pertinax," "M. Briand not only conceded to the Rome Government in the Treaty of 1922 equality with France in the matter of cruisers, but he also promised equality for the other types of warships."

In other quarters anxiety is shown lest the discussion with Italy should get on to a false note, and for this reason the hope is again expressed that the scope of the Conference may be strictly limited. It is realized that, having regard to the French view of French requirements, the discussion of percentages with Italy can serve no useful purpose at the present stage. At the same time, this divergence of views is not regarded as likely to imperil the Conference, and, on the whole, the prevailing tone is still optimistic.

WELSH MINES

OPPOSITION TO THE BILL

INDEPENDENT OWNERS' PROTEST

(FROM OUR LABOUR CORRESPONDENT)

A committee of independent coalowners in South Wales, representing an output of nearly 11,000,000 tons a year—or about two-ninths of last year's output of South Wales mines—has been formed to organize opposition to the Coal Mines Bill. Sir Clifford Cory is the chairman. A similar committee has been formed by the coalowners of Yorkshire and the Midlands, and the South Wales committee endorses, generally, the strong criticisms contained in the memorandum of the Yorkshire and Midland owners which was summarized in *The Times* of January 17.

The statement of the case of the independent coalowners of South Wales has, however, some special features. It is pointed out, in the first place, that the ascertained loss on the production of coal in the South Wales district in the three months from August to November last was 2.43d. a ton, and that the total losses of the coalfield during the last three years had been £13,750,000—a sum which does not include interest on debentures or on bank overdrafts. More than any other coalfield, South Wales depends on the development of the export trade, and to further that development the traders themselves constructed the Barry dock undertaking, and statutory powers were obtained which involved the expenditure of many millions at Cardiff, Newport, Swansea, and Port Talbot. The coalowners have also spent enormous sums on the establishment and upkeep of foreign agencies and especially foreign depots "all of which have been built up on an expanding and prosperous trade."

FEAR OF RUINED TRADE

The South Wales independent coalowners are aghast (the statement proceeds) at the action of the Government in deliberately promoting a Bill which definitely aims at checking that development, artificially restricting outputs, and thereby rendering abortive the enormous sums of money already sunk for the provision of the trade, both in the docks and railways and at the collieries, and will necessarily throw out of employment large bodies of workmen to swell the number of the unemployed. . . . The restriction of working hours, the restriction of output, and the departmental control of a huge industry, now, for the first time in the history of the country, proposed to be put into force, will, as the independent coalowners are satisfied, not only ruin the business, which has been gradually, but none the less surely, recovering from the disastrous strike of 1926, but will throw up the price of coal against not only the domestic consumers, but all the other stable trades of the country, and thereby react with inevitable repercussion throughout the whole industrial and economic trades circles, leading to disaster, wholesale unemployment, and extra taxation.

Further, the statement expresses profound disappointment that assurances which were understood to have been given to the South Wales Coalowners' Association that statutory compulsion would be applied only if voluntary efforts failed have not been adhered to. The South Wales Independent Committee "contains members whose adherence to the voluntary marketing scheme of the South Wales Marketing Association was given wholly on the faith of such assurances, and therefore on the faith that any marketing scheme relating to prices or quotas would be operated wholly by the trade itself and by those with the fullest possible knowledge of all the varied and intricate circumstances, both technical and commercial, applying to the trade." The statement adds:—

The proposals to establish Board of Trade control and regulation through the central and district schemes, embodying possibly a tax on the South Wales coal trade for the purpose of subsidizing other districts, is in the opinion of the objectors wholly disastrous, without precedent, and, while grossly unfair to the South Wales owners and workmen, is also economically and financially unsound.

THE QUOTA SCHEME

The quota scheme is described as utterly unsuitable for the South Wales export trade. The export trade is recovering, as a result of the expenditure of enormous energy and money, and at this time to reduce the South Wales output (to the benefit partly of other districts) would be to the detriment of the shipping and transport trade generally, would involve the closing of more mines, and would throw out of work large numbers of men employed in the ancillary trades and businesses relying thereon. Other coal-producing countries are pursuing the opposite policy of stimulating output.

The operation of an arbitrary quota on the single pit companies (the statement says) can be disastrous. In a group with a total output of, say, 4,000,000 tons, a quota restriction of 15 per cent. would mean 600,000 tons, and the group would stop altogether one colliery or pit. The same quota restriction in a single colliery would either result in the stopping of a district, thereby bringing the output below the economic figure, or would result in the loss of one day per week work, and in either case would result in an increase of 1s. 6d. per ton. Similarly, for large exporting collieries which have spent hundreds of thousands (if not millions) of pounds in establishing foreign depôts, the restriction of quota would mean passing over to their competitors the benefit of the outlets for their outputs provided by the establishment of these depôts, and therefore confiscation without compensation.

As to hours of work, this hits the South Wales district more than any other district in the country, for the reason that generally speaking the cost of production is higher than in other districts, and the restriction of half-an-hour will in itself impose further increases in working cost of as much as 1s. 6d. per ton. In most cases this would mean bringing the cost of placing the coal on the market above a commercially economic figure, and the colliery would have to close.

Forced amalgamations are severely criticized on the ground that amalgamations with concerns in a crippled condition must be destructive to commercial success. The formation of a National Industrial Board is also condemned. Finally, the statement says that the result of the Bill would be "to place the consumers under the stranglehold of a series of monopoly combines."

BANK OF ENGLAND

DR. O. M. W. SPRAGUE TO SUCCEED MR. STEWART

The following announcement was issued by the Bank of England yesterday:—

The Bank of England regret to announce that they are about to lose the services of Mr. W. W. Stewart, who for the past two years has acted as economic and statistical adviser to the Governors. They are pleased to state, however, that Dr. O. M. W. Sprague, Professor of Banking and Finance at Harvard University, has consented to take up the work shortly to be relinquished by Mr. Stewart. It is expected that Dr. Sprague will enter upon his new duties in or about July next.

SUBSIDENCE ON SEA FRONT

Part of St. Leonards Parade, measuring about 60ft. by 30ft., collapsed yesterday, revealing a large cavern, about 15ft. deep, where the sea has undermined the foundations. The first signs of the subsidence were noticed on Monday, and workmen were about to investigate when the collapse occurred.

COMMONS AND COAL

MINISTERS' TARIFF POLICY

WESTMINSTER, TUESDAY

A fusillade of fiscal questions in the House of Commons to-day produced little impression upon the Government. MR. THOMAS, indeed, stated that he "had made the necessary representations" after having received a memorandum from the Society of Motor Manufacturers, but it was not at all clear whether he was advocating or merely transmitting their case to Mr. Snowden. MR. GRAHAM refused to move from the Government's declared policy on safeguarding in response to a similar resolution from employers and employed in the Nottingham lace industry, and even declined to receive a deputation. Finally he declared his intention to pursue the idea of a tariff truce, although the Irish Free State was the only Dominion which had declared in favour of taking part in the forthcoming conference.

The debate on the money resolution of the Coal Mines Bill completely collapsed before the tacit agreement of all parties to reserve their criticisms for the Committee stage of the Bill itself. MR. GRAHAM could not even give very definite figures of the cost of the Bill, but he thought that the district committees of investigation, whose principal duty would be to watch the working of marketing schemes in the interests of consumers, might absorb £35,000 a year. The Commissioners who were to study and frame schemes of amalgamation might require £250,000 a year more, because their work would require the employment of a considerable technical staff. Part of this money might be recoverable from the industry, in so far as the work paid for might reasonably be charged to the amalgamated enterprises which it produced.

MODE OF PROCEDURE

SIR PHILIP CUNLIFFE-LISTER's chief fear was that the resolution was too narrow. It might rule out altogether amendments, such as his own, to establish a judicial Commission to hear consumers' complaints. He declared that amalgamations must not be loaded with the charge of having to pay promoters' profits; and that good pits must not be handicapped by being compelled to amalgamate with bad. That would, indeed, give the inefficient a valuable vested interest. He asked, therefore, that the Commissioners should start operating where amalgamations were *prima facie* promising. Upon the general principle of compulsion he was ready to approve the removal of obstructive opponents of a sound scheme.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE backed him up generally, though pointing out that overcapitalization of amalgamations would be impossible if they were effected on a fair valuation of the property of the parties. He suggested that the resolution should be withdrawn, after debate, and redrafted to put all *bona fide* amendments of the Bill in order, on the understanding that in its new form it would not be debated.

MR. GRAHAM'S PROMISE

The Socialist back-benches showed how fully they had accepted the story of the obstruction of beneficent legislation by the Opposition by raising futile points of order against this very sensible suggestion. MR. GRAHAM snubbed them by at once accepting it in the form of a promise to adjourn the debate when all who wished had spoken, and to redraft the resolution if it were found to endanger any substantial amendment.

In reply to some further questions by COLONEL LANE FOX upon the duties of the Commissioners, he explained that the present intention was to appoint three—a chartered accountant, a lawyer, and a mining engineer. He could not dictate their procedure, but he imagined they would deal with promising propositions first, would encourage voluntary amalgamations, and rule out inflated flotations. He endorsed MR. OLIVER STANLEY's suggestion that they should have statutory power to require the production of evidence. The feature of all his speeches was a determination, while keeping to the framework of the Bill, to be extremely conciliatory during its future stages. It was largely owing to his attitude that the House agreed to report progress at a very early hour.

The Government were conciliatory also when SIR HERBERT SAMUEL objected to a clause in the Charities Regulation Bill which, he declared, endangered many generous actions by requiring persons to obtain a licence for house-to-house collections. This might check a frequent and admirable practice of collecting on behalf of a widow, or a poor person in difficulties. The Government promised to amend it in Committee, and so secured the second reading. A couple of small matters were disposed of on the motion for adjournment before the House separated.

THE UNEMPLOYED

A DECREASE OF 2,861

The Secretary of the Ministry of Labour makes the following announcement:—

On January 20, 1930, the number of persons on the registers of Employment Exchanges in Great Britain were 1,075,800 wholly unemployed, 316,700 temporarily stopped, and 80,900 normally in casual employment, making a total of 1,473,400. This was 2,861 less than a week before, but 47,780 more than a year before. The total on January 20, 1930, comprised 1,092,900 men, 43,200 boys, 292,900 women, and 44,400 girls. The following are details:—

	Persons normally in regular employment		Persons normally in casual employment	Total
—	Wholly unemployed	Temporarily stopped		
Jan. 20, 1930				
Men ..	828,700	185,300	78,900	1,092,900
Boys ..	38,600	4,500	100	43,200
Women ..	171,000	120,000	1,900	292,900
Girls ..	37,500	6,900	—	44,400
Total ..	1,075,800	316,700	80,900	1,473,400
Jan. 13, 1930				
Men ..	833,546	191,285	77,591	1,102,422
Boys ..	38,135	4,709	115	42,959
Women ..	186,881	118,828	1,860	287,367
Girls ..	36,514	6,977	22	43,513
Total ..	1,074,876	321,797	79,588	1,476,281
Jan. 21, 1929				
Men ..	849,710	187,833	73,621	1,110,964
Boys ..	39,797	4,754	88	44,639
Women ..	183,938	94,065	1,373	229,377
Girls ..	35,476	5,242	22	40,740
Total ..	1,058,921	291,895	75,004	1,425,620

MEMORIAL TO QUEEN ALEXANDRA

The King has commissioned Sir Bertram Mackennal, R.A., the sculptor, to make a portrait in marble of Queen Alexandra, to be placed on the wall in Sandringham Church. The portrait on the tablet set between two stained-glass windows erected as a memorial to the late Queen in St. Alban's English Church, Copenhagen, which the King of Denmark unveiled last month, was also the work of Sir Bertram Mackennal.

POLITICAL NOTES

LIBERALS AND THE GOVERNMENT

EMPIRE FREE TRADE

There was a good deal of satisfaction among Conservative and Liberal members last night at Mr. Graham's undertaking that the financial resolution for the Coal Mines Bill shall, in its final form, be sufficiently widely drawn to enable both sections of the Opposition to move those amendments which they regard as essential. The resolution, either in its present terms or in amended form, will be put down again as soon as possible, for it is hoped to begin the Committee stage of the Bill next week.

Mr. Graham met yesterday morning the members of the Special Committee of the Liberal Parliamentary Party who have been appointed to deal with the Coal Bill. The Committee consists of Mr. Lloyd George, Sir Herbert Samuel, Sir Tudor Walters, Sir John Simon, Mr. E. D. Simon, Mr. Clement Davies, and Mr. Ernest Evans. The conference met, it is understood, at the request of the Government, to see whether some arrangement could not be reached on the two sets of amendments proposed by the Liberal Party and by the Government. There was some surprise when it was known that the meeting had been held at 25, Old Queen-street—Mr. Lloyd George's headquarters. Mr. Graham was accompanied by officials of the Mines Department, and it is understood that the discussion, which lasted for over an hour, was of a general character. A number of points raised in the two sets of amendments were touched upon, and the proceedings were adjourned until to-day. The main difficulty at present is said to be that the Liberal proposals cut right across the arrangement which the President of the Board of Trade has made with the coalowners in regard to the control of production and the marketing arrangements.

Considerable apprehension is felt by many of the miners' representatives in the House of Commons at the general trend of developments. They resent the treatment which they have received since the second reading debate on the Coal Bill and are aggrieved at their failure to get better terms from the Government. They allege that the miners are being exploited in that they will have no statutory protection against a possible reduction in wages. A meeting of members representing mining constituencies will be held soon—probably this week.

An interesting debate is expected this afternoon, when Mr. Remer will move his resolution in favour of the development of the Empire as a single economic unit with internal free trade as the ideal, and calling on the Government to open negotiations with the other Governments in the Empire with a view to the formulation of a policy "designed to secure that the purchasing power of the Empire shall be directed primarily to the full employment of the inhabitants of the Empire." Major Tryon will be the chief speaker for the Conservatives and Mr. Lloyd George for the Liberals. Mr. Snowden is expected to state the attitude of the Government. The Liberals will move an amendment to add, at the end of the resolution, the words: "provided that any such proposals shall not include additional taxation upon foodstuffs or raw materials imported into the United Kingdom." In view of Mr. Baldwin's repeated statements that neither a general tariff nor a tax on food forms any part of his programme, it is not unlikely that the Conservatives will assent to the amendment, which may also find favour with the Government.

The Conservative Party meeting at which Mr. Baldwin is to make his important speech next Wednesday will be held at the Coliseum.

LORD TRENCHARD

The barony conferred upon Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir Hugh Montague Trenchard is gazetted by the title of Baron Trenchard, of Wolfeton, in the County of Dorset.

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Further Outlook for the British Isles.—Unsettled. (p. 16)

TO-DAY'S NEWS

HOME

The principal delegates to the Naval Conference continued their discussions yesterday on the programme to be followed. A plenary meeting of the Conference is to be held to-morrow morning. Last night the delegates were entertained at dinner by the Pilgrims' Society. Mr. Stimson broadcast an address to the peoples of the United States and Great Britain at 6 p.m. (pp. 14 and 19)

Volunteers from Athelney in the Somerset flood area spent Monday night repairing a new burst in the river bank. (p. 16)

R 100 continued her flight yesterday, and is expected back at Cardington this morning when she has completed 48 hours in the air. (p. 14)

The attitude of the Westminster and Lambeth Councils to the Charing Cross Bridge scheme was discussed at yesterday's meeting of the L.C.C. (p. 11)

There were 1,473,400 unemployed persons on the registers of employment exchanges in Great Britain on January 20—a decrease of 2,861 from the preceding weekly total. (p. 14)

Lord Byng of Vimy, the Metropolitan Commissioner of Police, will leave for South Africa, on his postponed health trip, on Friday. (p. 17)

The I.L.P. is resuming its endeavour to bring about the fusion of the Socialist and Communist internationals. (p. 11)

William Henry Podmore, who is charged with the murder of Vivian Messiter, again appeared before the Southampton magistrates yesterday. Mr. O'Connor, for the defence, closely cross-examined David Cummings, formerly a fellow prisoner of Podmore. (p. 5)

At the Suffolk Assizes yesterday George Whistlecraft, a farm labourer, was found *Not Guilty* on the charge of murdering a gamekeeper named Cornwall, who was shot in a wood. The prosecution was withdrawn before the defence was entered on and the accused was discharged. (p. 5)

In Congregation at Oxford yesterday a Decree was passed by 47 votes to 10 that the consent of the University should be given to certain structural alterations in connexion with the scheme for the rearrangement of the interior of the University Church. (p. 12)

Members of the Senate of Cambridge University yesterday discussed a Syndicate report which recommended that the place of the Department of Mineralogy should be taken by a Department and Chair of Crystallography, and a Department and Chair of Mineralogy and Petrology, the latter to work in the closest possible relation with the Department of Geology. (p. 9)

POLITICS

In the House of Lords yesterday the Commons' amendments to the Arbitration (Foreign Awards) Bill were considered and agreed to. (p. 8)

In the House of Commons the money resolution relating to the Coal Mines Bill was brought forward and the debate was adjourned. The Children (Employment Abroad) Bill was read a second time and other business was dealt with. (p. 8)

A committee of independent South Wales colliery owners has been formed to organize opposition to the Coal Mines Bill. (p. 14)

Mr. Graham discussed with the Liberal Special Committee on the Coal Mines Bill yesterday the two sets of amendments proposed by the Liberal Party and by the Government. (p. 14)

IMPERIAL AND FOREIGN

The Spanish Prime Minister, the Marquis de Estella, yesterday handed his resignation to King Alfonso, who nominated General Berenguer as his successor. (p. 14)

The British cargo steamer Knebworth has been wrecked off Biarritz, and is a total loss. Except for one man the crew are reported to have been saved. (p. 14)

The terms are disclosed of the proposed changes in the Shanghai Provisional Court. They appear to involve complete surrender of control by the Municipal Council. (p. 14)

The Red Trade Union International in Moscow is organizing an international fund to be used to stimulate revolutionary movements abroad. (p. 13)

SPORT

The Nottingham race meeting was concluded yesterday; the operation of new totalisators was demonstrated at Folkestone and Thirsk. (p. 6)

The Royal Air Force Club beat the Cavendish Club in the Squash Rackets competition for the Bath Club Cup in the Royal Air Force Club's courts yesterday by three matches to none. (p. 6)

LAW

Summary of Law Cases will be found on page 5.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE

In "City Notes" comment is made on :—The Rally in India Stocks; the Need of Indian Railway Extensions; the Bank's Economic Adviser; a Further Floating Debt Reduction; Banks and Prospectuses; a Furnishing Company's First Report; Bolivia and Tin Restriction; Life Assurance as a Necessity; and the Larger Traffic of the Suez Canal. (p. 21)

In the Money Market loanable funds were abundant and loan rates declined. Discount rates were steady. Germany bought up the bulk of the £480,000 of gold in the bullion market at 84s. 11½d. per oz., and also took a small amount from the Bank of England, while £550,000 in sovereigns was set aside at the Bank. Silver rose ¼d. to 20¾d. per oz. Foreign Exchanges showed narrow movements as a rule. Spanish currency depreciated and the Argentine rate declined. (p. 22)

The feature on the Stock Exchange yesterday was the recovery in India stocks, which closed 1½ to 2½ points higher. British Funds were steady and Home Railway stocks were dull. Dealings began in the new Central Argentine Debenture stock, which closed at 7-16 discount. Industrial shares were irregular. Rhodesian Mining shares received support. (p. 21)

GENERAL PRIMO RESIGNS

GENERAL PRIMO DE RIVERA has resigned, and an embarrassed Dictator has made a short cut out of a position that had long been irksome and which quite lately he was obviously finding intolerable. Only a few days ago he devised a plan which he himself described as "sensational and decisive," and which to everybody else appeared singularly unsatisfactory and even desperate. He decided to consult the leading military officers of the country about his own continuance in office ; and, should their verdict be adverse to himself, he would go, he said, "within five minutes." He has not even waited so long. He has anticipated their verdict. He has simply divested himself of his functions. It is clear indeed that his proposed consultation had discredited him, and that he felt the diminution of his authority. To consult the Army on a matter of high policy was obviously so wholly contrary to the political philosophy of to-day that even in a country which is neither advanced in its views nor quick to make them felt the reaction was instantaneous. It was in vain that the DICTATOR argued that he was not subordinating the civil life of the country to military opinion. He explained that he was taking the soldiers' views only in his capacity as GENERAL PRIMO, and by no means as Prime Minister ; but when he placed himself at the bar of this military Court the public failed to distinguish between the General who was there and the statesman who was not. This appeal to his own subordinates evidently led KING ALFONSO to withdraw his Royal confidence ; and the veteran GENERAL BERENGUER, an early critic of the dictatorship, has been invited to carry on the government of the realm.

It was not altogether surprising that the MARQUÉS DE ESTELLA, a soldier himself, should have turned to soldiers in his time of trouble. It was a retrograde proposal, recalling the military *pronunciamientos* of bygone days, with the only difference that the soldiers were expected to decide the matter by voting instead of by shooting. But the real difficulty in Spain has been to find the true expression of public opinion. And for the lack of it the DICTATOR himself was partly responsible. Never at any time have the people of Spain, thinly scattered over vast provinces and largely illiterate, been very ready in formulating and making effective their political feelings ; and under the dictatorship their power to do so has been drastically curtailed. There is no longer free speech nor the right of assembly ; and the body that has superseded the Cortes is not popularly elected and has no more than consultative powers. Moreover, the hand of absolutism has fallen most heavily upon the Press. No single item of news can appear in any newspaper in Spain before it has passed the scrutiny of a board of censors, and all semblance of independent political thought has long since disappeared. It would not be fair to lay the whole blame for this abeyance of public opinion upon the DICTATOR. The normal stagnation of political life in Spain is relieved at intervals by the partisan polemics of politicians and journalists in the Capital ; and undoubtedly when the MARQUÉS DE ESTELLA carried out his *coup* in 1923 the factiousness of the one and the licence of the other had passed beyond all reasonable limits. Criticism had degenerated into abuse, and no law existed to obtain redress from defamatory insinuations. The check imposed upon scurrility was most salutary. But, as is apt to occur under absolutist rule, the restrictions have grown in force and in number, and the MARQUÉS has not succeeded in bringing about a relaxation of their severity, although that would probably have accorded best with his own preferences. GENERAL PRIMO has given repeated signs that he would like to mitigate his absolutism, transform his government gradually into constitutional rule, and hand on the burden to others.

But his efforts to produce a new Constitution were resisted, and lately appear to have been abandoned. The National Consultative Assembly was to have opened its doors in the autumn, and to have studied and if necessary amended it ; but so far the measure has not reached it. The terms of the draft were indeed so bitterly criticized—the embargo on the freedom of the Press was specially and temporarily raised for its discussion—that the DICTATOR must have realized that it would have no chance of acceptance ; and it was clear also that the opponents of the present régime were in no case likely to give favourable consideration to any proposals of the DICTATOR. He had, therefore, resigned himself already to see the Constitution of 1876 come into force again after his departure; and there will now presumably be no obstacle to its reintroduction. The immediate situation is confused and difficult, but the probable issue must be that Spain will once more enjoy a period of constitutional rule. Though the manner of his departure is judged in Madrid to have been a trifle ignominious, it need not blind us to the real services which the MARQUÉS DE ESTELLA has rendered to his country. He checked the dangerous process of disintegration, political and economic, that afflicted Spain, in common with other countries, in the years following the War, and, if he suppressed many liberties, he restored the liberty to work ; he has since maintained order and security ; he has introduced a large number of administrative improvements ; and he settled the problem of Morocco which had baffled so many of his predecessors. He was always personally popular, and history will certainly allot him an honourable place among the rulers of modern Spain.

Canal Boat Children

Next Friday, when the Canal Bill presented to Parliament in November comes before the House of Commons for second reading, will be an anxious day for the canal-boat population of this island. The Bill is simple and well-meaning. In order to secure their better education it proposes to prohibit the children of bargees from living with their parents on canal boats till they have reached the age of fifteen. At present, because their homes are always on the move, these canal children—to quote the phrase used the other day by the BISHOP OF LONDON and the co-signatories of a letter pointing out what is being done for them—are not caught in the net of the school inspector. That, of course, in the eyes of those who hold that the system of education prescribed by the State must be universally applied, is a deplorable omission in their lives. At any rate, they feel, it must be rectified. In 1921 a Departmental Committee of the Ministry of Health came to a similar but far less drastic conclusion. At that time, according to a report of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, over eighty-five per cent. of the children of school age living on canal boats were almost entirely uneducated. With this report before them the Ministry of Health Committee recommended that children of school age should be prohibited from living-in in canal boats during school terms. Like the writer of an article on Canal Families printed on another page, they found that so far as health, cleanliness, morality, feeding, and clothing are concerned the bargee and his family are fully equal, if not superior, to town dwellers of a similar class. "Life on "board these boats," they said in their report, "appears to be of an almost patriarchal character. And there was general agreement "among the witnesses that the presence "of the wife and mother on board "helps to preserve a high standard of "morality among the men and kindly "but efficient discipline among the children." They considered it advisable that canal children should go regularly to school like the rest of the world. But that was the extent of their suggestions of reform. They saw, on the other hand, the high value of the remarkable standard of canal-boat life disclosed by their inquiry, and were content that the children should live with their parents both up to the time of going to school and during the holidays.

Since those days, as the recent correspondence in these columns clearly shows, the purely educational conditions have changed. Besides the BISHOP of LONDON and the BISHOP of KENSINGTON, the Vicars of the two churches in Paddington whose work brings them into constant touch with the canal community have both written to point out that for the last ten years special provision has been made for the education of the children living on barges. In their opinion, thanks to the schools established by the canal side in Paddington and at Brentford, to which a floating barge-school is shortly to be added, the problem is in a fair way to being settled. It would be difficult to prove, writes one of them, that the children do not to-day obtain all the education that is really necessary. Nor is it only of their special schools that this is true. Their life on the canal boats, even irrespective of the training in character which they receive from their parents, is in itself an education in many of the qualities essential to success in life. "I have often "thought," says MR. RICHARD SICKERT, "that "the children on those barges were getting the "best education the world affords—a notion of "navigation." With the promoters of the present Bill considerations of this nature apparently carry no weight. They are so fixed in their idea that all children, whatever their circumstances, must be brought up on the same cut-and-dried system that they can see no virtue in anything outside it. But blindness is only one of their shortcomings. In their zeal for what they imagine to be educational reform they make the unheard-of proposal that the wives of the men who work the canal boats should be compulsorily separated either from their children—from the time that they are tiny babies—or else from their husbands. That is a cruel dilemma in which to place them. Whichever alternative they may choose their family life would be hopelessly blighted. As LADY GWENDOLEN CECIL has pointed out, no proof whatever has been offered that incidental injury to the children cannot be avoided by less drastic means. In these circumstances, she adds, such an assault not only upon parental rights and responsibilities, but also upon the whole structure of family life and affection, would be as deplorable as it is unprecedented. The Bill, as it stands, is a wholly misguided and unwarrantable interference with the liberty of the subject, and will, it is to be hoped, be so regarded by the House of Commons.

Powers of Darkness

To be brought close to the story of the poisonings at Szolnok through the eyes and ears of a Special Correspondent is to find it not thrilling but drably, dismally sad. A previous message told of a mother sitting on her son's bed and asking him to sing hymns to her while he died of the poison she had given him ; and there, for a moment, the story rose up to and beyond the dramatic height of the old ballad which in a score of versions tells how a woman poisoned her little stepson. There is nothing of that kind in the account given to-day. The "docile, "simple faces" of those on trial belong not to monsters of cruelty or lust or ambition, but to dull-witted peasants, who, living far from the more civilized world, have slipped into a practice of doing that which twenty years ago might have seemed to them wicked and horrible, but now through familiarity has become almost a matter of course.

Of the guilty and the suspects nearly all are women. It is a pretty general belief that women are more ruthless than men in getting what they want. ÆSCHYLUS wrote a chorus about it, in which the Lemnian crime—like that of Szolnok, the crime of many women—held the place of dishonour. With daring directness MR. KIPLING sang that "the female of the species "is more deadly than the male" ; and SIR JAMES BARRIE, fancifully illustrating female ruthlessness, suggested that a woman would push a man out of a moving train to prevent her child from catching cold. But the ruthlessness of woman is always seen as either devoted to the protection of those dependent on her or as the expression of an intensity of love and hatred of which the male is incapable. It is never imagined as mere moral insensibility. Yet that is what it has proved in these middle-aged peasant women of the remote Hungarian village. In the midwife, indeed, the active principle of evil may be suspected. Besides loving gain and loving power she must have enjoyed making others do what she knew was wrong. Her victims appear to have been merely insensitive. Their chief object, it is thought, was nothing more than to get rid of the drones, so that they scarcely differ from the animals and the savages among whom it is the common practice to kill off the useless. The most shocking element in the whole drab and dismal story is not the murders themselves : it is the evidence how easy it is for human nature, without education and without religion, to be dragged by the powers of darkness down to a lower than human level.

Rainfall in 1929

It will probably come as a surprise to many to learn, as they will from the statistics which we publish to-day, as in previous years, from the Superintendent of the British Rainfall Organization at Camden-square, that, for all its astonishing vagaries of weather, the year 1929 produced exactly the average rainfall for England and Wales, and an amount not greatly exceeding the average for the whole of the British Isles. But, as the statistics are scrutinized, it will be found that, notwithstanding this average—"so true in "general and so fallacious in particular," as a GIBBON might say, for the entire year—records were broken right and left. Where there were deficiencies of a nine-months' drought they were amply made up by the deluges of the later autumn. March was the driest in the British Isles since 1870 at least, and one of the driest months of any in the same number of years ; and there have been only four drier Septembers. It was the wettest November ever known ; and the fall in the Rhondda Valley on Armistice Day—8.31in.—has only twice been exceeded on any single day. No previous December since 1876 was wetter, if December, 1914, was as wet. In England and Wales the period comprised by the first nine months of the year was the driest for at least sixty years, and that comprised by the last three months the wettest. In only five years during the last seventy-two were there fewer "rain-days" at Camden-square, or days on which .01in. or more fell. Camden-square also measured its longest known dry spell—the thirty-seven rainless days from August 23 to September 28. Such were the records of the year, which, being so near the average in rainfall, ranks officially as a return to the normal, for it was drier than the seven before, but not so dry as 1921.

The map helps further to elucidate the figures. In Dartmoor only is there the black patch indicating a fall of more than 110in. ; from Scotland and Ireland and the Lake District, where such patches are usual, they are absent. On the other hand the drier streak eats into Ireland in two places from the west, marches across Scotland between two wetter regions from the Hebrides to the south-east, widens as it invades England, and continues down to Kent, though the other counties on the South Coast are darker. The figures and the map, MR. BILHAM explains, are largely the fruit of voluntary collaboration all over the country ; but there are many districts yet where that philosophical instrument known as a rain-gauge is rarer than it should be.

New Light on Richard II.

The circumstances of the deposition of RICHARD II. in August, 1399, have always been obscure. The official account enrolled in the Parliament Roll of his triumphant cousin, HENRY IV., states that RICHARD, just returned in haste from Ireland, received HENRY's envoys at Conway and there offered to resign the Crown. And it supports this statement by adding that later, when RICHARD was visited in the Tower by a committee of lords and others, he insisted on reading his resignation himself, and with a "glad countenance" renounced the Crown, for which he declared himself wholly unworthy. So the victor. It all sounds rather suspicious ; but on the other side historians have only had the narratives of CRETON—an eye-witness, it is true, of many of the last events of RICHARD's reign, but a French follower of the deposed King, who had been with him in Ireland, and that of another French chronicler believed to be largely based on CRETON. These accounts say nothing of the abdication of Conway, where they relate that RICHARD was offered fair terms by HENRY and agreed to allow five of his councillors to be tried and to refer to Parliament HENRY's claim to be hereditary seneschal. The chroniclers go on to say that RICHARD was taken prisoner, brought to Flint, where he was treated as a captive and a slave, and finally forced to abdicate. That was the problem for the historian—French testimony against English, French Royalists against Lancastrian propaganda. On the whole orthodox historians accepted the Lancastrian version, following the lead of STUBBS, who had dismissed CRETON as being so much at variance with other authorities that he could not be trusted.

Fresh light is now thrown upon these obscure matters by two Oxford scholars, MR. V. H. GALBRAITH and MISS M. V. CLARKE. They have unearthed in the library of Gray's Inn a fifteenth-century manuscript containing an unprinted text of a chronicle that furnishes weighty evidence for a restatement of the facts. The authors, who publish this part of the manuscript, with a critical commentary, in the current number of the *Bulletin* of the John Rylands Library, Manchester, discuss its provenance and authorship, show that it was probably written by a monk or monks of Dieulacres Abbey, and point out that it confirms a great deal of CRETON's testimony. They come to the conclusion that the new chronicle decides against the Parliament Roll on the material points, such as the events at Conway and Flint and RICHARD's "glad countenance" in the Tower. The statement, too, that RICHARD demanded a hearing in Parliament, on which the official records are silent, is supported by the witness of the Dieulacres Chronicle. HOLINSHED knew the French chronicles, and from him SHAKESPEARE drew the speech which he puts into the mouth of the BISHOP of CARLISLE, one of RICHARD's supporters, beginning :—

> What subject can give sentence on his King ?
> And who sits here that is not Richard's subject ?

SIGNALLING BY TRAMCARS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—With reference to the letter from Mr. R. O. Ward regarding signalling by tramcars, which appeared in your issue of January 23, it may be of interest to state that the London United Tramways are experimenting with a signal, warning oncoming traffic that the tramcar is about to stop. The operation of a foot switch by the motorman causes the word "Caution" on the rear dash of the tramcar to be illuminated. The device has been fitted experimentally to a number of tramcars on the Wimbledon and Hampton Court route, and if it proves successful all the cars on the system will be so equipped.

Yours faithfully,
G. W. DUNCAN.

53, Broadway, Westminster, S.W.1, Jan. 25.

THE HATRY CASE

TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES

CONTROL BY INDEPENDENT REGISTRARS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—All your readers, like myself, have read your thoughtful article, in which you say that it is to be questioned whether a company should control the registration of its shares and whether this control should not be entrusted to a bank or to some other independent authority.

I suggest, respectfully, that without recourse to legislation, the remedy can readily be found within and by our business community. My suggestion is that every company, whether British or foreign, the shares, debentures, and other securities of which are dealt in on a Stock Exchange in this jurisdiction, whether the London Stock Exchange or a provincial Stock Exchange, should be required by the Stock Exchange concerned to have an independent registrar, approved and licensed for such purpose by the said Stock Exchange, and with an office near to such Stock Exchange (if provincial) or the London Stock Exchange.

The registrar should be bound under contract to be responsible for errors, still more for fraud on the part of itself or its employees. The registrar can and should insure against any such risk ; the premium required would be small. No Stock Exchange should allow any shares, debentures, or securities to be dealt in by its members unless the registration of the documents of title, whether at allotment or on splitting, upon transfer, or in the event of succession, as also the ascertainment of all bonus rights, be in the hands of such a registrar. Such registrar can be, as you yourself suggest, a bank (as is common in the U.S.A.), but personally I see no reason why the registrar should not be a company or firm (if wholly independent of all other companies) or a firm of chartered or incorporated accountants (provided they are not auditors of the company and its group of associates). It would help the public if the banks and financial institutions made it a practice to refuse to lend on or deal in documents of title to securities of such companies, unless they have such licensed registrars. With such an example and as experience and facilities develop, most other companies, even many private companies, I feel confident, will follow the example thus set, and will without additional expense or burden employ an independent licensed registrar.

The work, I believe, will be in each registrar's office on a large scale, and therefore the expenses should be less than those at present generally encountered. The registrars, with specially trained staffs, will deal with their work more expeditiously than is the case at present with many important companies. Directors will, with confidence, pass the transactions and sign and seal the certificates presented to them at and between board meetings. Often, directors, with most important business to get through, unless they hold up the meeting unduly long, have perforce to pass every transfer and sign every certificate presented to them, relying not on the integrity (for that is not questioned) but on the correctness of the secretary's staff which submits the instruments for approval and signature. In future, on my scheme, directors would only sign allotment sheets, pass transfers, and seal certificates when previously validated by the registrar.

I also have important reforms to suggest in connexion with allotments and payments of subscriptions and calls which could be partly controlled and, if need be, publicly reported upon by the registrar, the abuse of renounced and split letters of allotment, provisional scrip certificates, transfer receipts, balance-tickets, certified transfers, and the prompt issue of definitive certificates to allottees and transferees, or to persons who succeed in case of death or bankruptcy. In case of death such registrar should be enabled to mark the probate documents more quickly than at present. In the case of a rich man, with many investments, it often takes executors many months, even a year or more, before the probate document gets registered with all the companies concerned. Until this is done, executors cannot deal in the securities concerned except by indirect means.

The London Stock Exchange, last summer, was considering introducing a Bill in Parliament to make it optional for stockbrokers to set out distinctive numerals in deeds of transfer in the case of fully paid shares. The Stock Exchange went farther, and was prepared to legislate that distinctive numerals need not be inserted in allotment letters issued in response to applications on a public prospectus. Distinctive numerals were, as I gather, to be confined to certificates, apart from the registrar. If such safeguards as exist to-day do not eliminate, they tend, anyhow, to discourage fraud and do reduce the possibility of error. The Court of the City of London Solicitors Company disapproved of the Bill. I hope that the idea of proposing such a Bill is now completely dropped.

At the request of some large companies, Parliament enacted (most unexpectedly to City solicitors) in the Companies Act, 1929 (Section 96 (2)), that every company having more than 50 members may keep a card index of the names of its members. Personally, I think that it would be prudent if the Stock Exchanges prescribed that every card removed from the index should be carefully preserved without alteration or effacement, and should be available at all times for inspection in the same way as the index, and the register itself.

Quick action could be attained in London if four representatives of (say) the London Stock Exchange, the Institute of Chartered Accountants, the Institute of Secretaries, and the City of London Solicitors Company, could meet a representative of our banks. If the recommendations of such a committee were approved with or without amendment, as they should be, within (say) two months after report to their respective appointers, they could be put in force in the City of London immediately afterwards by those who concur. Further action (and amendment, if commendable) could similarly be taken outside the City. The scheme is voluntary and elastic, and as time passes, would no doubt be improved, but it does not entail the risks and delays of Parliamentary sanction.

I am yours faithfully,
F. M. GUEDALLA.

Winchester House, Old Broad-street, E.C.2, Jan. 27.

THE LAW OF BLASPHEMY

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—In the debate on the Bill to abolish prosecutions for blasphemy no one appears to have noticed the impartial provision of the Indian Penal Code, S.298, whereby insulting words or gestures used "with deliberate intention of wounding the religious feelings of any person" are punishable with imprisonment up to one year and fine. The intention, it will be seen, is material and has to be found as a fact. This seems (notwithstanding the fears of some commentators) to succeed in hitting the line between fair controversy and wanton insult. Macaulay's note to the original draft is worth consulting. I am yours truly,

FREDERICK POLLOCK.

Lincoln's Inn, Jan. 27.

PRINTERS' ERRORS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—May I be allowed to give you another amusing instance of a Printer's Error ? There is a well-known tale of a certain Greek σχολαστικός and of his carrying about with him a brick, by way of a sample of a house which he had for sale. As an apt emblem of our puffing advertisements, in an article which he contributed to *The Ecclesiastic*, the late Dr. Neale referred to this story. He spoke of "sampling a *house* by a *brick*." The printer printed it "sampling a *horse* by a *kick*."

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
GEORGE R. WOODWARD,

48, West-hill, Highgate, Jan. 27.

THE RAINFALL OF 1929

DROUGHT, FLOODS, AND GALES

A MEMORABLE YEAR

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A year of British weather usually includes one or two events of outstanding interest by which that year is subsequently remembered. Thus most people can readily recall the intense summer heat of 1911 and 1921 and the great drought of the latter year, the cold winter of 1916-17, the wetness of 1912 and 1927, and so forth. A year which presented no meteorological abnormalities at all would indeed have some claim to be regarded as abnormal on that account. The year 1929 gave us, in January and February, frosts of an intensity unknown since 1895 ; nine months of drought in which the shortage of water was as pronounced as in 1921 ; three months of rainfall in which records were broken in all parts of the kingdom, and gales of almost unprecedented frequency and severity. So numerous and so remarkable were the meteorological peculiarities of the past year that we should need a great deal of space to consider them all. In this article our attention is confined to the rainfall, and we shall see that in certain respects the year presented unprecedented features.

The total rainfall of the year at various stations selected from the returns forwarded to the British Rainfall Organization is shown in the first column of figures in Table I. The second column gives the average rainfall at each station for the 35 years 1881-1915 (the adopted "normal" rainfall) : the third the difference of the fall in 1929 from the average, and the fourth the rainfall in 1929 expressed as a percentage of the average. Some idea of the way in which the year's rain was distributed over the British Isles may be obtained from these figures. It will be seen, for instance, that most of the stations where the rainfall was above the average lie in the western half of the kingdom.

The distribution may be studied in greater detail in the map, upon which the variations of the percentage annual fall have been represented by lines analogous to those used for the representation of the distribution of barometric pressure on an ordinary weather map. This map brings to light the fact that the areas with an excess of rainfall mainly comprise the mountainous regions in the south-west of Scotland, Wales, Ireland, and the south-west of England. A large part of the Devon-Cornwall peninsula had an excess of more than 20 per cent. This distribution may be attributed to the fact that the heaviest rains of the year occurred in association with south-westerly and westerly winds, which would affect the great western elevated land masses more than the lower-lying eastern districts.

BACK TO THE NORMAL

Perhaps the most striking feature of the statistics given in Table I., and shown geographically in the map, is the fact that over more than half the British Isles the annual totals are within 10 per cent. of the average. A computation based on the returns used for the preparation of the map shows that the general rainfall was exactly equal to the average over England and Wales. Considered as a whole, Scotland had 103 per cent. and Ireland 105 per cent. of its normal fall. The corresponding figure for the whole of the British Isles is 102 per cent. Before leaving this part of our study we may compare the figures for England and Wales with those of the past 11 years :—

GENERAL RAINFALL OVER ENGLAND AND WALES AS PERCENTAGES OF THE AVERAGE 1881-1915.

1918	107	1924	120
1919	105	1925	106
1920	109	1926	102
1921	70	1927	124
1922	105	1928	113
1923	113	1929	100

After a run of seven years of excessive rainfall we have thus got back to the normal figure. Nature has shown some reluctance to restore the balance, and it would still be premature to deduce that we are entering upon a sequence of relatively dry years.

Details of the general falls over the British Isles and its subdivisions will be found in Table II., along with average values for comparison.

TABLE II.—GENERAL RAINFALL IN 1929 COMPARED WITH THE AVERAGE

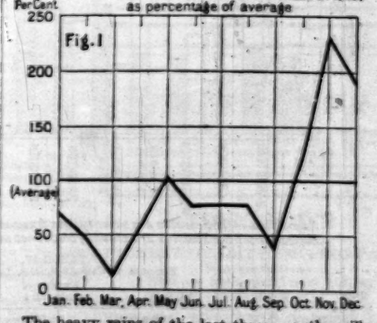
Place.	Average 1881-1915.		1929.		
	Rainfall.	Vol. in Billion Gallons.	Rainfall.	Vol. in Billion Gallons.	Per cent. of Average.
	In.		In.		
England and Wales ..	35·2	29·9	35·3	29·9	100
Scotland ..	50·3	22·2	51·7	22·8	103
Ireland ..	43·3	29·5	45·4	21·4	105
British Isles ..	41·4	72·6	42·4	74·1	102

Table III. gives the monthly general rainfall over the British Isles and its subdivisions as percentages of the normal. The figures for England and Wales are shown graphically in Fig. 1. With the exception of May, which shows a slight excess, each of the first nine months yielded a rainfall far below the average in England and Wales. The figures for the British Isles are less striking, but attention may be called to the exceptionally low general falls in March and September. March was the driest month of that name since 1870 at least, and ranks with February, 1891, and June, 1925, as the driest month in the last 60 years over the British Isles as a whole. During the same period there have been only four drier Septembers—those of 1894, 1895, 1907, and 1910.

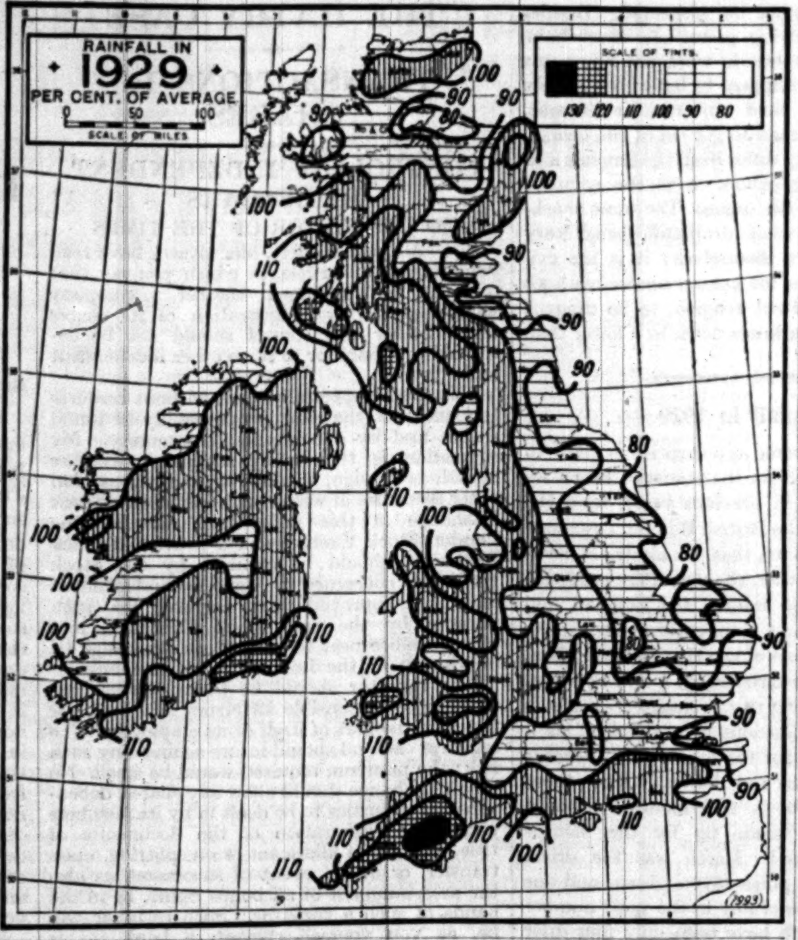
TABLE III.—MONTHLY GENERAL RAINFALL IN 1929
Per Cent. of Average

Month.	England & Wales	Scotland	Ireland	British Isles
January	71	49	37	63
February	49	54	129	67
March	13	24	34	18
April	57	76	51	61
May	103	107	109	105
June	78	124	83	91
July	79	108	119	96
August	79	139	119	104
September ..	37	73	38	47
October	120	144	127	128
November ..	232	130	151	188
December ..	190	168	184	183

MONTHLY RAINFALL OVER ENGLAND & WALES IN 1929, as percentage of average



The heavy rains of the last three months will not readily be forgotten. We see from the table that those of November and December were particularly remarkable. November gave more than double the average fall over England and Wales. It was the wettest November on record over the British Isles as a whole, notwithstanding the fact that the greater part of Northern Scotland actually received less than the average fall for that month. The heavy rain associated with the great gale on Armistice Day will long be remembered. On that day the rainfall at Pont Lluest Wen Reservoir, in the Rhondda Valley, reached the exceptionally large amount



of 8.31in., a figure exceeded in a single "rainfall day" (9 a.m. to 9 a.m.) on only two previous occasions. Another noteworthy fall was one of 5.71in. at Treherbert during the 24 hours ended at 4 p.m. on November 19. This same station had previously recorded over 5in. on November 11. There was very extensive and disastrous flooding in many districts, the floods in Somerset and the Rhondda Valley being particularly noteworthy.

December's rain markedly exceeded that of November in Scotland and Ireland, but the percentage figures for England and Wales and for the British Isles as a whole show a reduction. No previous December since 1876 had been wetter, but the rainfall of December, 1914, was about the same as that of 1929.

Some interesting results are obtained by comparing the rainfall of the first nine months with that of the last three months of the year. Over England and Wales the general fall in the nine months, January to September, was 15·0in. The fall in the last three months was 20·3in., and therefore exceeded that of the first nine months by more than 5in. The corresponding figures for the British Isles as a whole are 20·4in. and 21·9in. Both these values are records. On the whole no previous totals for January to September have been so low and no previous totals for the period October to December have been so high for at least 60 years.

TABLE I.—RAINFALL AT INDIVIDUAL STATIONS IN 1929.

Station and County	1929	1881-1915 Aver.	1929 Difference from Average	1929 per Cent. of Aver.
ENGLAND: SOUTH	In.	In.	In.	%
Camden-square, London	22·55	24·47	− 1·92	92
Tenterden, Kent	27·98	27·50	+ 0·48	102
Folkestone, Kent	25·43	29·13	− 3·70	87
Edenbridge, Kent	33·49	30·71	+ 2·78	109
Chichester, Sussex	32·18	28·75	+ 3·43	112
Totland Bay, Hants	30·61	28·49	+ 2·12	107
Fordingbridge, Hants	33·28	31·65	+ 1·63	105
Sherborne St. John, Hants	25·28	28·96	− 3·68	87
Harpenden, Herts	25·75	26·73	− 0·98	96
Oxford, Oxon	22·39	24·82	− 2·43	90
Pitsford, Northants	24·05	24·54	− 0·49	98
March, Cambs	19·72	22·81	− 3·09	86
Cambridge, Cambs	19·58	21·82	− 2·24	90
Chelmsford, Essex	22·11	22·30	− 0·19	99
Felixstowe, Suffolk	20·55	21·38	− 0·83	96
Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk	21·32	25·14	− 3·82	85
Norwich, Norfolk	22·76	26·48	− 3·72	86
Little Dunham, Norfolk	25·31	27·19	− 1·88	93
Beaminster, Dorset	42·45	37·61	+ 4·84	113
Holne, S. Devon	81·93	59·80	+ 22·13	137
Cullompton, S. Devon	40·32	35·27	+ 5·05	114
Filleigh, N. Devon	48·82	43·11	+ 5·71	113
Okehampton, N. Devon	59·85	46·56	+ 13·29	128
Redruth, Cornwall	57·16	45·25	+ 11·91	127
St. Austell, Cornwall	55·02	45·84	+ 9·18	120
Tresco Abbey, Cornwall	40·50	32·63	+ 7·87	124
Chewton Mendip, Somerset	44·15	45·00	− 0·85	98
Cirencester, Gloucester	31·23	30·83	+ 0·40	101
Ledbury, Hereford	28·75	27·15	+ 1·60	106
Church Stretton, Salop	35·91	31·90	+ 4·01	113
Wolverhampton, Staffs	27·32	27·14	+ 0·18	101
Market Drayton, Staffs	27·54	28·89	− 1·35	95
Coventry, Warwick	25·69	26·01	− 0·32	99
ENGLAND: NORTH				
Belvoir Castle, Leics	20·58	25·11	− 4·53	82
Boston, Lincs	20·08	22·81	− 2·73	88
Louth, Lincs	20·77	28·00	− 7·23	74
Worksop, Notts	20·66	23·63	− 2·97	87
Belper, Derby	27·62	29·70	− 2·08	93
Manchester, S. Lancs	35·47	31·68	+ 3·79	112
Stonyhurst College, Cent. Lancs	48·71	46·55	+ 2·16	105
Southport, Cent. Lancs	32·06	31·99	+ 0·07	100
Bradford, W.R. Yorks	28·80	31·38	− 2·58	92
York, W.R. Yorks	21·34	24·24	− 2·90	88
Hull, E.R. Yorks	21·05	25·38	− 4·33	83
Leyburn, N.R. Yorks	29·78	32·63	− 2·85	91
Scarborough, N.R. Yorks	21·28	25·77	− 4·49	83
Middlesbrough, N.R. Yorks	20·31	23·67	− 3·36	86
Durham, Durham	20·18	24·60	− 4·42	82
Hallington, North'land	24·80	28·24	− 3·44	88
Ilderton, Northum'land	28·45	30·40	− 1·95	94
Borrowdale, Cumberland	136·52	129·48	+ 7·04	105
Keswick, Cumberland	55·15	57·01	− 1·86	97
Appleby, Westmorland	37·04	35·03	+ 2·01	106
MONMOUTH AND WALES				
Cardiff, Glamorgan	44·30	41·41	+ 2·89	107
Carmarthen, Carmarthen	56·43	48·30	+ 8·13	117
Haverfordwest, Pemb'ke	56·50	46·37	+ 10·13	122
Aberdare, Brecon	72·93	59·57	+ 13·36	122
New Radnor, Radnor	46·04	44·86	+ 1·18	103
Birmingham W.W. Radnor	61·63	62·15	− 0·52	99
Bodfari, Flint	26·60	27·43	− 0·83	97
Bala, Merioneth	60·34	54·61	+ 5·73	110
Blaenau Festiniog, Merioneth	118·19	97·14	+ 21·05	122
Llandudno, Carnarvon	29·04	30·04	− 1·00	97
Llanerchymedd, Anglesey	43·06	38·10	+ 4·96	113
Douglas, Isle of Man	45·21	41·19	+ 4·02	110
SCOTLAND				
Dalry, Kirkcudbright	56·32	54·51	+ 1·81	103
Auchencairn, Kirkcudbright	53·99	47·05	+ 6·94	115
Dumfries, Dumfries	38·63	36·79	+ 1·84	105
Hawick, Roxburgh	34·79	33·36	+ 1·43	104
Stobo Castle, Peebles	37·16	34·90	+ 2·26	106
Marchmont House, Berwick	28·13	32·18	− 4·05	87
Edinburgh, Mid Lothian	22·93	26·03	− 3·10	88
Kilmarnock, Ayr	44·50	37·29	+ 7·21	119
Girvan, Ayr	50·60	49·84	+ 0·76	112
Glasgow, Renfrew	40·23	36·05	+ 4·18	112
Falkirk, Stirling	31·99	31·85	+ 0·14	100
Rothesay, Bute	57·42	48·98	+ 8·44	117
Lochgilphead, Argyll	61·33	52·71	+ 8·62	116
Islay, Argyll	61·55	48·86	+ 12·69	126
Loch Dhu, Perth	77·60	79·77	− 2·17	97
Perth, Perth	25·58	30·79	− 5·21	83
Blair Atholl, Perth	32·91	33·09	− 0·18	100
Montrose, Angus	28·01	27·03	+ 0·98	104
Balmoral Castle, Aberdeen	29·34	33·04	− 3·70	89
Aberdeen, Aberdeen	30·82	29·49	+ 1·33	104
Keith Station, Banff	28·48	33·79	− 5·31	84
Grantown-on-Spey, Moray	27·25	31·15	− 3·90	87
Fort Augustus, Inverness	40·64	44·20	− 3·56	92
Loch Quoich, Inverness	118·45	110·75	+ 7·70	107
Fort William, Inverness	79·73	78·80	+ 0·93	101
Strathpeffer, Ross	27·48	30·54	− 3·06	90
Ullapool, Ross	46·82	48·00	− 1·18	97
Loch Torridon, Ross	76·73	85·12	− 8·39	90
Stornoway, Ross	47·41	49·85	− 2·44	95
Lairg, Sutherland	35·68	37·30	− 1·62	96
Tongue, Sutherland	39·88	41·00	− 1·12	97
Wick, Caithness	32·60	29·92	+ 2·68	109
IRELAND				
Dunmanway, Cork	70·21	61·00	+ 9·21	115
Cork, Cork	46·18	39·97	+ 6·21	115
Valentia Observatory, Kerry	60·30	55·65	+ 4·65	108
Killarney, Kerry	48·05	54·71	− 6·66	88
Waterford, Waterford	48·11	38·90	+ 9·21	124
Nenagh, Tipperary	41·69	39·52	+ 2·17	105
Cahir Abbey, Tipperary	40·43	39·20	+ 1·23	103
Foynes, Limerick	40·09	39·68	+ 0·41	101
Gorey, Wexford	42·25	34·67	+ 7·58	122
Kilkenny, Kilkenny	33·47	33·15	+ 0·32	101
Bagnalstown, Carlow	36·79	34·95	+ 1·84	105
Abbey Leix, Leix	36·43	36·55	− 0·12	100
Birr Castle, Offaly	34·21	32·56	+ 1·65	105
Dublin, Dublin	27·26	27·37	− 0·11	100
Balbriggan, Dublin	30·07	28·96	+ 1·11	104
Kells, Meath	36·94	37·00	− 0·06	100
Mullingar, W. Meath	36·06	36·34	− 0·28	99
Castle Forbes, Longford	40·76	37·60	+ 3·16	108
Ballynahinch, Galway	70·61	61·00	+ 9·61	116
Ahascragh, Galway	40·37	41·56	− 1·19	97
Strokestown, Roscommon	37·38	35·00	+ 2·38	107
Westport House, Mayo	42·04	46·60	− 4·56	90
Markree Observatory, Sligo	44·86	43·53	+ 1·33	103
Belturbet, Cavan	36·32	34·63	+ 1·69	105
Armagh, Armagh	33·74	31·75	+ 1·99	106
Seaforde, Down	40·90	38·29	+ 2·61	107
Belfast, Antrim	36·73	34·61	+ 2·12	106
Ballymena, Antrim	43·43	41·50	+ 1·93	105
Limavady, Londonderry	35·43	36·99	− 1·56	96
Omagh, Tyrone	41·56	40·12	+ 1·44	104
Milford, Donegal	40·84	42·00	− 1·16	97
Killybegs, Donegal	58·03	60·50	− 2·47	96

When the returns from individual stations are considered in the same way the results are even more remarkable. The values for a few selected stations are shown in Fig. 2. The diagram is self-explanatory and it is only necessary to draw attention to the fact that at Croydon and Tunbridge Wells the rainfall for the last three months was nearly double that of the first nine months. In addition to the data shown in this figure the readings for Selborne are worth quoting. Here the rainfall for January to September totalled 12·2in., while that for October to December amounted to 26·4in.

Table IV. summarizes the rainfall, number of rain days, duration of rainfall and evaporation for each month and for the year at Camden-square, London. In each case the difference from the average is shown. It should be explained that a "rain day" is one in which an amount of ·01in. or more of rain fell. It will be seen that the total number of such days in 1929 was far below the average. In only five of the last 72 years have there been fewer than 134 days of measurable rain.

The great drought of 1929 naturally invites comparison with that of 1921. In that year, as in 1929, the shortage of rainfall was more marked over England and Wales than over Scotland and Ireland. It will suffice, therefore, to give the monthly percentages for 1921 over England and Wales for comparison with the figures for 1929 given in Table II.:—

MONTHLY GENERAL RAINFALL OVER ENGLAND AND WALES AS PERCENTAGE OF THE AVERAGE, 1921

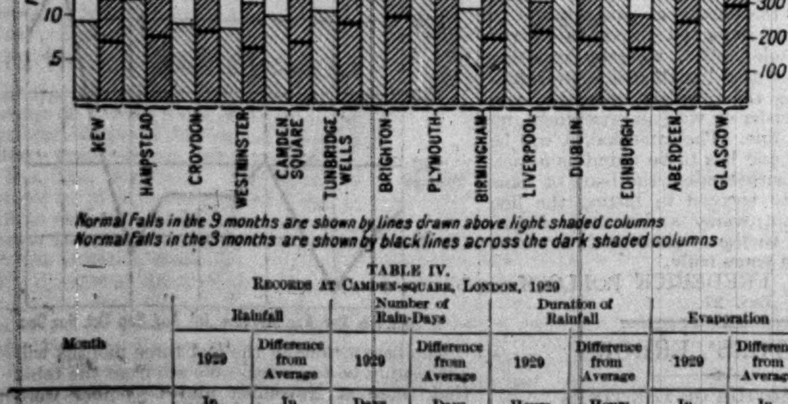
January	146	July	40
February	15	August	115
March	101	September	64
April	59	October	51
May	79	November	75
June	17	December	83

It will be seen that 1921 gave nine months of deficient rainfall compared with eight in 1929. Five out of the 12 months were drier in 1929 than in 1921. The driest month in 1921 (February) gave a slightly larger percentage of the normal fall than did the driest month of 1929 (March). In both years there were three months with less than half the average rainfall. Other points of similarity will be noticed. The most important difference is, of course, the absence in 1921 of a sudden switch over from drought to excess in the last three months.

At Camden-square, London, there was a run of 37 days from August 23 to September 28, 1929, without measurable rainfall. The longest run of rainless days at that station in 1921 was one of 29 days, from June 27 to July 25. This period of absolute drought had hitherto shared with a similar period of 29 days, from March 18 to April 15, 1893, the distinction of being the longest dry spell since records were started in 1858.

It is hoped that this brief account of a remarkable year's rainfall may direct attention to the intrinsic interest of measurements which may be made by any intelligent person without much initial outlay or daily labour. The rainfall records of this country are largely dependent upon the work of private observers to whom the interest which comes from the acquisition of positive knowledge is a sufficient stimulus. Trustworthy measurements of rainfall are easily made and such measurements are of national as well as local importance. The British Rainfall Organization receives and publishes returns from over 5,000 observers, but in many districts gauges are still sparsely distributed. The Director, Meteorological Office (M.O.7), South Kensington, London, S.W.7, would be glad to hear from any persons who measure rainfall regularly and have not hitherto forwarded a copy of their observations to the British Rainfall Organization. They will be invited to fill in a simple form of rainfall register for use in compiling the full account of the rainfall of the year, which will be published in the autumn under the title "British Rainfall, 1929." Anyone interested in the measurement of rainfall can obtain full particulars by writing to the same address.

RAINFALL 1929



Normal Falls in the 9 months are shown by lines drawn above light shaded columns
Normal Falls in the 3 months are shown by black lines across the dark shaded columns

TABLE IV.
RECORDS AT CAMDEN-SQUARE, LONDON, 1929

Month	Rainfall 1929	Rainfall Difference from Average	Number of Rain-Days 1929	Rain-Days Difference from Average	Duration of Rainfall 1929	Duration Difference from Average	Evaporation 1929	Evaporation Difference from Average
	In.	In.	Days	Days	Hours	Hours	In.	In.
January	·96	− ·90	12	− 3	32·3	− 1·06	·20	+ ·10
February	·58	− 1·09	7	− 6	21·6	− 1·75	·29	+ ·04
March	·01	− 1·82	1	− 13	0·0	− 43·6	·64	− ·02
April	1·33	− ·21	11	− 2	46·1	+ 15·1	1·53	+ ·02
May	1·30	− ·37	11	− 2	35·2	+ 5·7	2·68	+ ·23
June	1·29	− ·73	12	0	18·4	− 11·5	2·93	+ ·02
July	2·20	− ·18	10	− 2	26·4	− ·2	3·42	+ ·45
August	2·13	− ·08	10	− 4	23·1	− 4·9	2·22	− ·11
September	·28	− 1·54	2	− 9	3·8	− 21·7	1·81	+ ·43
October	2·72	+ ·09	14	− 1	42·6	− 2·5	·80	+ ·18
November	5·47	+ 3·11	19	+ 4	87·4	+ 40·5	·27	+ ·02
December	4·19	+ 1·80	25	+ 9	87·2	+ 38·4	·14	+ ·05
Year	22·55	− 1·92	134	− 29	424·1	− 12·8	16·91	+ 1·41

SOMERSET FLOODS

ALL-NIGHT STRUGGLE TO REPAIR RIVER BANK

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

TAUNTON, JAN. 28

Working in darkness in perilous conditions, men of Athelney, in the Somerset flood area, won an all-night struggle in repairing the fresh burst of river bank which since yesterday afternoon had been sending a great torrent of water across the moors. The inhabitants, many of whom had returned to their houses within the past week, were heartbroken at the prospect of being again driven from their houses, and a band of resolute volunteers at once set about repairing the break.

Work was only just started by nightfall when the river began to drop, but the men continued at grave risk of their lives. Large lengths of timber thrown across the gap were snapped like twigs under the pressure of the torrent. Working from a boat which often threatened to capsize, the men eventually succeeded in fixing iron hurdles into the bank with the support of sandbags, and gradually they built up a barrier until the gap was filled.

The voluntary flood workers included the Rev. H. Jackson (hon. secretary of the local relief committee), whose energy and courage proved very heartening. Mr. Jackson and his companions returned to their homes early this morning wet through and covered in mud. Their successes in temporarily stopping the burst in the river bank has won the admiration and gratitude of the whole district, and for the moment the situation is saved, the general level of the moorland flood water having risen only a few inches, but adequate measures are urgently needed to prevent further disaster.

*** Photographs of scenes in the area affected by the flood appear on page 18.

TERRITORIAL ARMY STRENGTH

IMPROVED RECRUITING

The latest official returns show that in December 1,729 recruits were finally approved for service in the Territorial Army. This is an increase of 107 on the figures for the previous month, and 179 more than in December, 1928. The total number of enlistments during the year January to December, 1929, was 27,962.

Last month the Western Command led the way with 336 recruits, followed by the Eastern Command, 306; the Southern Command, 304; the London District, 294; the Northern Command, 268; and the Scottish Command, 221.

The total Territorial strength, exclusive of permanent staff, on January 1, 1930, was 6,864 officers and 129,066 other ranks, as compared with 6,842 officers and 129,153 other ranks on December 1, 1929, and 6,932 officers and 132,444 other ranks on January 1, 1929.

WOOL INDUSTRY INQUIRY

EVIDENCE FOR THE UNIONS

Sitting alone as a Court of Inquiry appointed by the Ministry of Labour under the Industrial Courts Act, Mr. H. P. MACMILLAN, K.C., yesterday continued the hearing in London of the questions in dispute between the parties to the Northern Counties District Wool (and Allied) Textiles Industries Council. These questions relate mainly to the wages of the operatives, the agreements determining rates and conditions having been terminated in November, 1927.

The employers have already stated their case, and yesterday Mr. Arthur Shaw continued his evidence on behalf of the unions concerned, going into the causes of the dispute and suggesting certain remedies. He called as witnesses Mr. Frank Dickinson (secretary of the Yorkshire Association of Power Loom Overlookers), Mr. J. Gartside (secretary of the Saddleworth Weavers), Mr. Frank Egan (secretary of the Wool, Yarn, and Warehouse Workers' Union), Mr. W. J. Riley (secretary of the Managers' and Overlookers' Society), and Mr. Harry Sheard (secretary of the Huddersfield and Dewsbury Power Loom Overlookers)

The inquiry was adjourned till to-day, when the operatives will call as their last witness Mr. M. Titterington, president of the National Association of Unions in the Textile Trade, and afterwards the employers will reply to the unions' case.

EMPLOYERS IN BUILDING INDUSTRY

SIR R. WEDGWOOD'S PLEA FOR COOPERATION

The annual dinner of the National Federation of Building Trades Employers was held at the Hotel Victoria last night, when the President, Mr. WILLIAM HALL, was in the chair.

Mr. SYDNEY TATCHELL, replying to the toast of "Architects and Surveyors," proposed by SIR STEPHEN HASTEN, spoke of the value of team work in the building industry, and said that while it would be foolish to suggest that there were no grievances, yet when they were brought to the light of day they were much smaller in size, and with good will and a lively sense of responsibility brought to bear upon them, they were quickly dispelled.

SIR RALPH WEDGWOOD (President of the National Confederation of Employers' Organizations), submitting the toast of the Federation, said the prosperity of a host of industries depended on the prosperity of the building trade, and every class of the community was interested in their activities. They occupied a key position, and therefore an active central organization was a necessity. They employed 800,000 men. Industry was entering upon a more self-conscious stage in which the interests of all—capital and labour—must be considered and harmonized. Capital would do well to imitate labour in uniting to strengthen a central organization for the reasoned and broadminded representation of its needs and aims.

Among those present were:—

Sir Edwin and Lady Airey, Lieutenant-Colonel J. Mitchell Moncrieff, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Dove, Mons. F. Van Ophem, Mr. A. G. White, Mr. and Mrs. R. Coppock, Mr. F. G. Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Smeaton, Mr. Jno. Croad, Mr. J. B. Forbes Watson, Mrs. S. Tatchell, Mr. J. H. and Mrs. Barker, Lieutenant-Colonel C. W. Brims, Miss Hall, Dr. R. E. and Mrs. Stradling, Mr. T. Barron, Mr. and Mrs. F. Thorne, Mrs. Jordan, Mr. G. Mowlem Burt, Mr. A. Andrews and Mrs. Andrews, Sir J. Walker Smith, Mr. A. B. H. Colls (President London Master Builders' Association), Mr. E. J. Brown, Mr. Norman H. Walls, and Mr. L. E. Jones.

OBITUARY

MAJOR-GENERAL FORBES

Major-General Arthur Forbes, C.B., C.M.G., whose death was recently announced in *The Times*, was an ordnance officer of exceptional distinction. His "History of the Army Ordnance Services," in three volumes, has just been published.

Born on October 29, 1869, Forbes passed into the Royal Artillery from Woolwich in 1889. He was transferred when Captain in 1899 to the Army Ordnance Department as Ordnance Officer, 4th Class, just before the outbreak of the South African War.

In 1913, Lieutenant-Colonel Forbes was detailed to attend the French Army manœuvres of that year, this being the first occasion on which an Ordnance Officer was deputed for such a service. His report contained a strong criticism of the Ordnance War Manual of the time, as being based on our South African experiences, and so being unsuitable for any Continental campaign in which we might be engaged, and it contained a valuable suggestion derived from his observation of the French administrative system that has borne fruit in our own military administration since the War.

On the outbreak of the War in 1914 he went out to France and served under the Director of Ordnance Services, being shortly afterwards appointed Deputy Director, Ordnance Services, G.H.Q.—a post that was practically equivalent to that of Deputy Quartermaster-General. In 1917 he was appointed Deputy Director, Ordnance Services, First Army, and was subsequently appointed temporary Brigadier-General and temporary Principal Ordnance Officer. In 1918 he was appointed temporary Major-General and Director, Ordnance Services, Mesopotamia.

On his return home after the War in 1919, when he relinquished his temporary rank of Major-General, Colonel Forbes was appointed Chief Inspector of Equipment and Stores, and in the following year took up the new appointment of Chief Inspector, Stores and Clothing.

In 1921 he went on a mission to India to unravel certain complicated financial problems between the War Office and the India Office, the inquiry covering every sort of expenditure incurred by India on account of the War, including pay, food, remounts, hospitals, munition factories, aeroplanes, and ordnance supplies. Later, he was appointed Assistant Director, Ordnance Services, Rhine Army, a post which he held until his retirement in October, 1926, when he received the permanent rank of Major-General.

Forbes's work on the history of the Army Ordnance Services, which occupied him for the last eight years of his life, is reviewed in *The Times Literary Supplement* of to-day. It had its origin at the annual dinner of civilian experts in 1922, when one of the Principal Viewers observed that their branch came into being as a result of the scandals disclosed by the Crimean War. This was a new idea to Forbes, and he resolved to investigate it, but his researches led him much further—in fact, into the whole history of the services from the first appointment of a Master of Ordnance in early Norman times to the present day. The book naturally takes in much general Army history, as well as the origin and evolution of arms, clothing, equipment, and ammunition, from the day of the armoured knight to that of the armoured car, and the economic, industrial, and political changes through the centuries.

MAJOR-GENERAL SHAW

Major-General David George Levinge Shaw, late Indian Army, died at Surbiton on Sunday in his 70th year.

A son of General David Shaw, he was born on July 1, 1860. Gazetted to the 67th Regiment in 1879, he transferred to the Punjab Cavalry in 1884, having meanwhile served in the Second Afghan War, receiving the medal with clasp. He also saw fighting in the Zhob Valley in 1890, in Waziristan in 1894-5, and in the Tochi during the great outburst on the North-West Frontier in 1897-8. For five years from 1900 he was A.A.G. in India, and he reached the rank of brigadier-general in 1911. Appointed General Officer Commanding at Aden early in 1914, he was not deemed by higher authority to have responded so well as they could have hoped to the heavy responsibilities brought by the War, with its unsettlement of the Aden hinterland. On the ground of this dissatisfaction he was transferred in 1915 to the less important post of G.O.C. at Karachi. He held it for little more than a year, being removed from the appointment in consequence of his share in the responsibility for the lamentable disaster under which a number of British drafts moved by train from Karachi in the hot weather succumbed to heat-stroke. Another post was found for him, and he did not retire from the Army until August, 1919. There were many friends who considered that he had been removed from his command unjustly, and controversy on the subject continued in one or two journals. He married Edith Aimée, daughter of Captain the Hon. J. T. Fitzmaurice, R.N. He married, secondly, Hawthorn, granddaughter of Mr. David Pennant, J.P., of Mobarnane, Co. Tipperary, and she died in 1928.

The funeral will be at Marsh-lane Cemetery, Surbiton, at 3 o'clock to-day.

THE REV. J. H. WILKINSON

The Rev. John Henry Wilkinson, who died at Winchester on January 19, at the age of 85, was the son of the Rev. Dr. Matthew Wilkinson, Headmaster of Marlborough College and Prebendary of Salisbury Cathedral. He entered Winchester College as a scholar in 1850; from there he obtained a demyship at Magdalen College, Oxford. In 1871 he became an assistant master at St. Paul's College, Stony Stratford, and in 1872 he was ordained deacon, but he never proceeded to priest's orders, as he was a schoolmaster for the whole of his working life. In 1873 he founded a preparatory school, which he called "Waynflete," at Clifton, where it flourished for 25 years. In 1898 he moved the school to Woodcote, near Goring. He retired in 1909, and settled in Winchester, where he did a certain amount of private coaching and diocesan work. He also assisted Canon Causton at St. Cross Church. During the War he again took on preparatory school work at Bramcote, Scarborough. "One of His Old Boys" writes of him:—

To the small boy he was always more of the friend than the schoolmaster; even as a boy of nine one realized that. One formed a friendship then that lasted through life, and the longer it lasted the more intimate it became. I knew Mr. Wilkinson for 40 years, and I never heard him say an unkind word about anyone, nor have I ever heard anyone say an unkind word about him. As a boy at Waynflete, as a master on his staff when he moved to Woodcote, and as one of the headmasters who were lucky enough to have him on their staff during the War, I never knew him anything but cheerful and deeply sympathetic. He never seemed to notice the little worries of life, and his mere presence seemed to radiate good temper. As he grew older his interest in his old boys never flagged, and they were always sure of a warm welcome at his house in Winchester. He was loved by everybody he knew, and especially by all those whose privilege it had been to work under him or with him.

DR. LOUIS FOURNIER

Our Paris Correspondent telegraphs:—

Dr. Louis Fournier, chief physician of Cochin Hospital, who was responsible for many notable developments in the treatment of syphilis, has died here after an operation at the age of 62.

Fournier, who possessed all the modesty and industry of the true savant, for many years concentrated almost his entire energies on the improvement of the prophylaxis and the methods of treating syphilis, the disappearance of which, as he recently wrote, "has always been the dream of my life." Together with Doctors Gilbert and Carnot, he produced standard works on the subject, while his practical researches, in cooperation with Sazerac and Levaditi, led to the discovery of the valuable properties of bismuth in treating the disease.

SIR FRANK WARNER

Lieutenant-General Sir William Furse, Director of the Imperial Institute, writes:—

May I, through your columns, acknowledge the deep debt of gratitude that the Imperial Institute owes to the late Sir Frank Warner? Among his many activities, he took the keenest interest in the work of the Imperial Institute Advisory Committee on Silk, which was formed in 1916 to encourage the production of silk within the Empire. He was appointed chairman of the committee at its inception and held this office until 1928, when ill-health compelled him to resign. He remained, however, a member of the committee, and continued to render most valuable assistance.

The important practical results achieved by the committee have been due in large measure to the enthusiasm which Sir Frank Warner brought to the work and to the generous way in which he placed the entire resources of his firm at the disposal of his committee for experimental trials of Empire-reared silk. Only a few months ago a beautiful piece of damask made in his factory from Tanganyika cocoons was shown at the Agricultural Exhibition at Dar-es-Salaam. It is believed that the pioneer work to which he so largely contributed will ultimately prove to be of real Imperial importance in connexion with silk production. His long and unselfish labours in this cause will long be remembered with gratitude by those associated with him at the Imperial Institute.

MR. F. K. CAHILL

The death is announced in Dublin of Mr. Frank Kennedy Cahill, F.R.C.S.I., a well-known physician who specialized in abdominal disorders. He studied in the United States under Professor Hemmiter, and was a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Medicine as well as of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland. He was also prominent in artistic circles, being a keen supporter of the Abbey Theatre. He was a brother of Mr. J. R. Cahill, C.M.G., Commercial Counsellor to the British Embassy in Paris.

"CARS OF TO-DAY"

GUIDES TO BUYING AND DRIVING

The 1930 edition—the seventh annual issue—of "Cars of To-day," containing 94 complete reviews, and a new and enlarged edition of "The Art of Driving," are now on sale. The object of "Cars of To-day" is to serve as a guide to those who are thinking of buying a new car and, through the critical review of a large number of cars tried by *The Times* Motoring Correspondent over the same test route, to help towards the choice. In every case mention is made of any structural or price alterations that have been made since the original publication of the reviews in *The Times*. These reports are not based upon estimates or catalogue information, but are the results of personal examination and trial.

Motorists will also find much useful information in "The Art of Driving," by *The Times* Motoring Correspondent. The aim of the handbook, which is in a new and enlarged edition, with a stiff cover, is to explain, in the simplest way, the finer points of driving, an appreciation of which adds much to an owner's pleasure, reduces his expenditure in running a car, and makes his driving safer.

"Cars of To-day" and "The Art of Driving" are published by The Times Publishing Company, Printing House-square, E.C.4, at 2s. and 1s. 3d. respectively, or they can be had from booksellers, newsagents, or bookstalls.

SIR THOMAS LEGGE AND THE T.U.C.

APPOINTMENT AS HEALTH ADVISER

(FROM OUR LABOUR CORRESPONDENT)

Sir Thomas Legge has joined the staff of the Trades Union Congress as adviser to the social insurance department on the health of workers as affected by conditions arising out of their employment. Sir Thomas Legge was senior medical inspector of factories from 1898 to 1926, and was a member of Home Office Committees on compensation for industrial diseases, anthrax, and other subjects. Besides the study of industrial diseases, he has also investigated the injurious effects of dust, fumes, and gases.

Sir Thomas Legge, who had already reached the pensionable age, retired from the Home Office in 1926, stating in a letter to *The Times* that his reason was that he could not recede from the position he took up at Geneva in 1921, when, as representing one of the delegates of the British Government, he voted for the draft convention prohibiting the use of white lead for the internal painting of buildings.

The General Council announces that Sir Thomas Legge's work will be primarily in connexion with the prevention of industrial diseases and forms of poisoning, and with medical treatment only in so far as it is part of prevention. He will not undertake actual medical treatment, but will be available for examination of groups of workpeople employed in factories or workshops, with a view to advising as to whether they are suffering from any occupational disease. He will also deal, by articles and lectures, with the whole question of occupational diseases from the medical point of view, and will keep the trade union movement fully informed on the vast problem of health in industry. He hopes, by examination of union sickness records and in other ways, to make industrial risks to health more a subject of study and research than it is at the present time.

IRELAND'S INTEREST IN PEACE

MR. CLYNES ON THE NAVAL CONFERENCE

Mr. J. R. Clynes, M.P., was the principal guest at the monthly house dinner of the Irish Club last evening, when Mr. W. E. D. ALLEN, M.P., presided.

Proposing "The Guests," Mr. J. A. R. CAIRNS said it was 20 years since he first proposed that toast in the club. They had had many distinguished guests in that period, including the Prince of Wales and the Duke of York.

Mr. CLYNES, responding, said he was glad to observe the company was so mixed in its political associations and yet so united in the desire to work for the good of Ireland.

They were just now holding the Naval Conference in London and considering the reduction within our time of the instruments of war, so that a policy of peace could be more effective in the sense of the ridding of the world of the burden of armaments. Ireland had quite an unexcelled interest in the maintenance of the peace of the world and of the prosperity of Europe, and Ireland would look, with others, for a happy and satisfactory outcome of the Conference.

Responses were also made by SIR JAMES COOPER, MR. BEN TILLETT, M.P., MR. L. HORE-BELISHA, M.P., LORD LYMINGTON, M.P., MR. E. MARJORIBANKS, M.P., MR. A. W. HAYCOCK, M.P., and MAJOR M. BEAUMONT, M.P. The toast of "The Irish Club" was given by Mr. SHAW DESMOND, and acknowledged by Mr. EDWARD SHORTT and Mr. H. HUGHES.

THE KING'S GIFT TO BLIND

PROFITS FROM GRAMOPHONE RECORD

Sir Beachcroft Towse, V.C., chairman of the National Institute for the Blind, was informed by Lord Stamfordham yesterday that the King wished the entire profits from the sale of the gramophone record of his speech opening the Naval Conference to be given to the British "Wireless for the Blind" Fund. The record was made by the Gramophone Company while the speech was being delivered to the delegates and broadcast throughout the world by the B.B.C.

The King's action has caused great satisfaction to the committee of the fund, who consider that it will stimulate public interest in a movement which is of the utmost importance to the welfare of the blind. Mr. Churchill's appeal, broadcast on Christmas Day, met with a generous response, which now exceeds £11,000. In addition, the committee have received from the radio trade an offer of sets of a value of £10,000, but this total is inadequate to carry through the scheme.

The fund was organized to provide, so far as is practicable, every blind person in the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland with a wireless set.

ARMY OFFICER CASHIERED

CAPTAIN CECIL MADDEN BOND, 1st Battalion, The Royal Scots Fusiliers, who was tried by General Court-Martial last month at Bordon Camp, has been found guilty of three charges of disgraceful conduct and another charge of conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, and has been sentenced to be cashiered and to undergo two years' imprisonment with hard labour. The King, confirming the finding, has remitted one year of the imprisonment. Captain Bond, who is 33, won the Military Cross in the Great War.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer acknowledges the receipt of £2 from A. C., on account of income-tax.

WILLS AND BEQUESTS

GIFTS TO BANK EMPLOYEES

Mr. JOHN WALTER MARTIN, of Park-road, Chiswick, W., and of the Westminster Trust, Victoria-street, S.W., died on December 22, aged 64, leaving estate of the value of £90,361, with net personalty £88,890. He gives:—

£500 each to Sydney Walter Humphrey and George Douglas Maw, clerks with the Westminster Trust; £200 to C. F. Canfor, manager of the Hammersmith branch of Barclays Bank, and £300 to him for the staff; £50 to each of the working servants ("porters, charwomen, and others") who have been in the service of the Westminster Trust for 10 years; and £200 to Police-constable A. Jones, of 68, Eyot-gardens, Chiswick.

The Hon. Mrs. (ALICE MAUDE) FRANCKLIN, of Gonalston, Notts, who died on November 28, aged 81, daughter of the third Viscount St. Vincent, and widow of J. L. Francklin, left unsettled estate of the gross value of £12,086, with net personalty £11,976. She left:—

£50 and one year's wages to her maid, Annie Wood, and one year's wages to her maid, Violet Vann, if respectively in her service at her death.

Mr. ROBERT STANLEY CHATTEY, of Cluny Lodge, Esher Park, Esher, who died on November 2, aged 64, left estate of the value of £308,493, with net personalty £282,870. He left:—

£100 to the Prince of Wales Hospital, Tottenham.

Mr. OSWALD BEACH COWLEY, of Tregonwell-road, Bournemouth, solicitor, who died on October 4, left £9,562, with net personalty £9,288. After a life interest and certain bequests he left:—

The ultimate residue of the property equally between the British Sailors' Society, Commercial-road, London, E., the East London Hospital for Children, Shadwell, the Queen's Hospital for Children, Hackney-road, E., the Evelina Hospital for Children, Southwark, S.E., Dr. Barnardo's Homes, and the Shaftesbury Homes and "Arethusa" Training Ship.

Mr. ROGER FISON, of Nye Barn, Ditchling, Sussex, who died on November 18, aged 69, left £9,243, with net personalty £7,452. He left:—

£300 and his sewing machine and a framed print entitled "Eventide" to his housekeeper, Lizzie Maze.

Mrs. BELINDA STEWART, of Munster-mansions, Miles-road, Clifton, Bristol, who died on December 1, widow of Commander A. E. Stewart, R.N., and daughter of the Hon. Thomas Williams, of Nassau, U.P., Bahamas, and Everton, Liverpool, left estate of the gross value of £7,562, with net personalty £7,456. She left:—

£100 upon trust for the upkeep of the Shenfield Parish Churchyard, Essex, if buried there.

£250 each to the Royal School for Naval and Marine Officers' Daughters, St. Margarets, Twickenham, and the Distressed Gentlefolks Aid Association; and £50 each to Joseph Arthur Goode and Henry Usher, of Messrs. Grindlay and Co., Limited, "in recognition of their services and assistance."

Other latest wills include the following:—

	Gross value
AARONS, Mr. Abraham, of Vale-court, Maida Vale, W. (net personalty nil) (so far as at present can be ascertained)	£15,386
BARNARD, Mr. William, of Thistlemoor, Empingham-road, Stamford, Lincs, a former huntsman of the Fitzwilliam (Milton) Hounds, previously a jockey, and at one time huntsman of the Pembrokeshire Hounds	385
BOYD, Mr. Frederick Kennedy, of The Dormy Cottage, Wentworth, Virginia Water, Surrey, late of the Indian Civil Service (net personalty £5,892)	7,568
CANDY, Mr. George Spence, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (44), of Foulis, Great Bookham, Surrey (net personalty £4,928)	8,358
CHARNOCK, Professor George Frederick, M.I.C.E., M.I.M.E. (70), of Pemberton-drive, Horton, Bradford, hon. secretary of the Bradford Engineering Society, and for many years head of the Department of Engineering at Bradford Technical College (net personalty £4,190)	6,788
HARAM, Mr. Ernest Cecil (63), of Wardown, Pembroke-road, Manbury, Woking, and the Stock Exchange (net personalty £4,211)	6,455
HENDERSON, Mr. William, of Hampden-terrace, Mount Florida, Glasgow (personal estate)	17,011
HICKMAN, Mrs. Kate (80), of Stotfold, Ravelstone-road, Bromley, widow of J. R. Hickman (net personalty £14,282)	15,880
MANNERING, Miss Mary (77), of Rostrevor, Wickham-road, Beckenham (net personalty £19,284)	22,179
MENZIES, Mr. Charles Duncan, M.B.E., of Lynehurst, West Linton, Peeblesshire, late manager of the Scottish American Investment Company, Limited (personal estate)	78,316
PAGE, Mr. James, M.B.E. (68), of Tamar, Taunton, from 1913 to 1920 stationmaster at Taunton, and from 1920 to 1925 stationmaster at Paddington, who retired in 1926 after 50 years' service with the Great Western Railway (net personalty £230)	550
PLOWMAN, Mr. Mark, of Rowantree-road, Byculiah Park, Enfield	26,908
ROSENTHAL, Mr. Simon, of Cobham-road, Westcliff-on-Sea, and The Boundary Tavern, Commercial-road East, Whitechapel (net personalty £718)	10,572
TOULMIN, Mr. George (56), of Garthrigg, Lightfoot-lane, Broughton, near Preston, one of the managing directors of George Toulmin and Sons, Limited, proprietors of the *Lancashire Daily Post* and other newspapers (net personalty £34,730)	38,394

ECCLESIASTICAL NEWS

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

The REV. R. F. W. FLETCHER, Chaplain and tutor of St. Edmund Hall, Oxford, has been instituted by the Bishop of Oxford to the rectory of Broughton Pogis, Oxfordshire (patron, Mr. F. C. Goodenough). Mr. Fletcher will retain his tutorship at St. Edmund Hall.

The REV. M. E. THOMAS has been appointed to the vicarage of Ripley, Surrey.

The Standing Committee of the London Diocesan Conference, the Bishop of the Diocese presiding, unanimously decided on Monday to continue the publication of the diocesan quarterly, *Saint Paul's Review*. The Bishop has appointed the REV. H. MARTYN SANDERS, vicar of St. Stephen's, East Twickenham, to be editor in succession to the Very Rev. A. S. Duncan-Jones, now Dean of Chichester.

The REV. J. H. WARNER, vicar of Frizinghall, Bradford, has been appointed by the Bishop of Bradford to the vicarage of Barnoldswick.

The REV. D. C. TIBBENHAM, organizing secretary of the Church Missionary Society for the diocese of Chelmsford and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, has been appointed vicar of St. Mary's, Plaistow, E.—patron, the vicar of West Ham.

The REV. F. R. P. CARRICK, curate of St. John's Church, Epping, has been appointed vicar of St. Paul's, Colchester.

The Rev. T. Bloomer, vicar of St. Mark's, Lyncombe, Bath, who was recently appointed rector of St. John's, Buckhurst Hill, Essex, in succession to the late Dr. Woodward, has cancelled his acceptance of the benefice. He has written from Bath to a correspondent, "My people here appealed to the Bishop of Chelmsford [the patron of the Essex living] to allow me to remain with them. He relieved me of my responsibility and I have consented to remain."

GENERAL SMUTS AND THE EMPIRE

A private meeting of the Committee of the Empire Parliamentary Association, which is studying Empire foreign relations, was held at Westminster Hall yesterday, when General Smuts delivered an address upon some reflections regarding the future development of the British Empire and experiences during his recent visit to Canada and the United States. Mr. Snowden, who is treasurer of the United Kingdom Branch of the Empire Parliamentary Association, was in the chair.

SOCIETY OF APOTHECARIES

The Society of Apothecaries of London announce that in the January examinations the following candidates passed in the subjects stated:—

SURGERY.—Asaad, M., St. Mary's Hosp.; Clarke, L. P., St. George's Hosp.; Graftdyk, K., Leeds; Maurer, H. W., Charing Cross Hosp.; Naylor, M., Sheffield; Rappoport, M. S., London Hosp.; Risk, Z., Birmingham; Robinson, T. G., Guy's Hosp.; Yarde, F. A., St. Mary's Hosp.

MEDICINE.—Child, R. F. M., St. Mary's Hosp.; Coldan, V. J. H., Beyrouth and Paris; Davies, C. E. P., Guy's Hosp.; D'Rosario, W. J., Guy's Hosp.; Graftdyk, K., Leeds; Jennings, C. B., Charing Cross Hosp.; Kellner, A., London Hosp.; Skinner, C., Guy's Hosp.; Somasunder, P., London Hosp.

FORENSIC MEDICINE.—Chandrasekharen, T., Madras and Manchester; Edwards, A. R., Liverpool; Freywirth, E. A., Heidelberg; Jennings, C. B., Charing Cross Hosp.; Lethem, E., Guy's Hosp.; Somasunder, P., London Hosp.

MIDWIFERY.—Halge, H. C., St. Mary's Hosp.; Jacomb, E., Birmingham; Lethem, E., Guy's Hosp.; Rappoport, M. S., London Hosp.

The diploma of the society was granted to the following candidates, entitling them to practise medicine, surgery, and midwifery:—R. F. M. Child, C. E. P. Davies, W. J. D'Rosario, A. Kellner, H. W. Maurer, T. G. Robinson, F. A. Yarde.

WEST HAM COUNCIL'S DECISION

The West Ham Borough Council last night adopted the recommendation of the local education committee to close the juvenile unemployment education centres in the borough on March 31 on the ground that the centres should be a charge on national funds. Under the grant now given, it was stated, there were rates upon the borough amounting to £15,000.

THE WEATHER

UNSETTLED: LOCAL FOG EARLY

Meteorological Office, Jan. 28

GENERAL INFERENCE FROM OBSERVATIONS AT 6 P.M.—A deep depression centred south of Iceland is remaining almost stationary, but associated secondaries are likely to move north-eastward across the British Isles. Cloudy conditions will be general, with some rain in most districts.

Forecasts for To-day

LONDON, ENGLAND, S.E., E., MIDLANDS, E., SCOTLAND, N.E., ORKNEYS AND SHETLANDS.—Light to moderate southerly or south-westerly winds; cloudy, some rain at times; fog locally early; moderate temperature.

FURTHER OUTLOOK.—Unsettled.

SEA PASSAGES

ENGLISH CHANNEL.—Light to moderate southerly or south-westerly winds; cloudy, some rain at times; fog locally early; sea moderate.

IRISH SEA.—Moderate or fresh southerly or south-westerly winds; cloudy, some rain at times; sea moderate.

FLYING PROSPECTS

AIR ROUTES (London-Paris-Brussels-Cologne-Amsterdam).—Wind south-westerly, 10-15 m.p.h. at surface; 20-25 m.p.h. at 2,000ft.; lighter in W. Germany. Much low cloud, with rain in England and France; local fog farther east, persisting locally all day, especially in W. Germany. Visibility, 1-3 miles generally; 100 yards locally.

Sun rises, 7.46 a.m.; sets, 4.41 p.m.
Moon rises, 8.18 a.m.; sets, 4 p.m.
New moon, 7.7 p.m.
Lighting-up time, 5.11 p.m.
High water at London Bridge, 1.40 a.m. and 2.9 p.m.

LONDON OBSERVATIONS

KENSINGTON PALACE, JAN. 28, 6 P.M.—Bar., 1010.5mb. (29.84in.), steady; temp., 42deg.; humidity, 83 per cent.; wind, W., light; weather, dull.

Monday, 6 p.m., to Tuesday, 9 a.m.—Min. temp., 40deg.; rainfall, nil.

Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.—Max. temp., 42deg.; rainfall, nil.

Sunshine at Kew, 0.0hr.

SUNLIGHT

The sunlight (ultra-violet rays) figures for yesterday, supplied by the National Institute for Medical Research, were:—

Hampstead, 0; Kingsway, 0; Clacton, 0; Lowestoft, 1; St. Andrews, ½; Southport, ½; Torquay, ½; Ventnor, 0.

HEALTH RESORTS

The following reports of weather at health resorts yesterday were received last night. The rainfall is for 24 hours up to last evening:—

Stations	Sunshine	Rainfall	Temp. Min.	Temp. Max.	Weather (Day)
	Hrs.	Mm.	Deg.	Deg.	
Aberystwyth	3·9	—	30	40	Bright periods.
Banff	2·9	—	30	36	Bright periods.
Bath	—	—	32	40	Dull, mist early.
B'wick-on-T.	4·4	—	28	39	Fair, fog early.
Bexhill	—	—	40	44	Dull, some mist.
Blackpool	3·5	—	29	38	Bright periods.
Bognor R.	—	—	40	42	Dull.
Bournem'th	—	—	37	40	Dull, fog later.
Bridlington	4·0	—	33	43	Fair.
Brighton	—	—	40	43	Dull.
Bude	2·3	—	29	42	Bright periods.
Cheltenham	—	—	34	42	Dull, some mist.
Clacton	—	—	41	45	Dull.
Cleethorpes	3·4	—	36	43	Bright periods.
Colwyn Bay	4·7	—	31	44	Fair.
Cromer	0·2	—	40	44	Dull.
Deal	—	—	41	45	Dull.
Douglas	1·4	—	30	41	Cloudy, rain later.
Dover	—	—	43	45	Dull, some mist.
Dovercourt	—	—	40	45	Dull.
Eastbourne	—	—	40	46	Dull.
Exmouth	—	—	32	39	Dull.
Falmouth	—	1	36	46	Dull, some rain.
Felixstowe	—	—	40	44	Dull.
Folkestone	—	—	41	44	Dull, some mist.
Guernsey	—	0·1	43	45	Dull, drizzle.
Harrogate	5·6	—	—	42	Fine.
Hastings	—	—	40	45	Dull.
Ilfracombe	3·7	—	33	46	Bright periods.
Ilkley	2·0	—	27	37	Cloudy.
Jersey	—	—	46	—	Dull.
Leamington	—	—	37	43	Dull.
Lerwick	5·2	2	35	42	Fair.
Littlehmptn.	—	—	39	43	Dull.
Llandudno	4·8	—	32	42	Fair.
Lowestoft	0·6	—	38	44	Cloudy.
Mablethorpe	2·3	—	36	44	Mainly cloudy.
Maldon	—	—	40	44	Dull.
Malvern	—	—	34	41	Dull.
Margate	—	—	42	45	Dull.
Morecambe	2·6	—	28	38	Mainly cloudy.
Nairn	2·3	—	25	37	Bright periods.
Newquay	1·0	—	33	43	Cloudy, some rain.
N. Berwick	1·8	—	27	39	Cloudy.
Oban	—	—	27	38	Dull, some sleet.
Penzance	—	1	35	47	Dull, some rain.
Plymouth	—	—	33	41	Dull, some mist.
Ramsgate	—	—	41	44	Dull, some mist.
Rhyl	4·3	—	30	41	Fair.
Ross-on-Wye	—	—	35	39	Dull.
St. Andrews	1·9	—	27	36	Cloudy.
St. Ives	—	1	36	49	Dull, drizzle.
Scarborough	3·4	0·3	36	44	Bright periods.
Scilly I.	—	3	39	46	Dull, rain later.
Sidmouth	—	—	33	39	Dull.
Skegness	0·9	—	37	43	Cloudy.
Southend	—	—	40	43	Dull, some mist.
Southport	3·3	—	28	38	Bright.
Southsea	—	—	39	42	Dull.
Teignmouth	—	—	36	41	Dull, some mist.
Tenby	0·8	—	35	44	Cloudy.
Torquay	—	—	34	41	Dull, some mist.
Tunbridge W	—	—	38	42	Dull, drizzle.
Ventnor	—	—	38	41	Dull.
Wallasey	4·9	—	30	38	Fair, fog early.
Walton-'n-N	—	—	40	45	Dull.
Weston-s.-M.	—	—	35	39	Dull.
Weymouth	—	—	37	40	Dull, some fog.
Woodhall S.	3·6	—	31	43	Bright periods.
Worthing	—	—	40	43	Dull.
Yarmouth	1·2	—	38	45	Cloudy.

PARIS.—Fair, rather cloudy.
BERLIN.—Dull, some mist; milder.
MILAN.—Dull and mild.
MONTE CARLO.—Still unsettled; brighter.
CANNES.—Bright to cloudy.

FOREIGN WINTER RESORTS

The following reports of weather in Switzerland and Austria, compiled on the spot by members of the Ski Club of Great Britain, were received last evening (temperatures are Fahrenheit):—

AROSA.—Snowing heavily.
CHATEAUX D'OEX.—Sunny, thawing.
DAVOS.—Overcast; heavy thaw.
ENGELBERG.—Clouding up; snow generally windswept; patchy and thin below 4,500ft.
GRINDELWALD.—Overcast; snow patchy and thin below 4,000ft.
GSTAAD.—Light frost; snow conditions rather difficult; no good snow below 4,000ft.
KITZBÜHEL.—Raining heavily.
KLOSTERS.—Overcast; light rain falling; thawing.
LENK.—Sunny, thawing; clouding up.
LEUKERBAD.—Sunny, thawing; clouding up.
MALOJA.—Cloudy and warm; snowing heavily.
MORGINS.—Sun and frost; snow conditions rather difficult; good spring snow on south slopes.
MOUNT GURNIGEL.—Sun and frost; snow conditions rather difficult; snow patchy and thin below 4,500ft.
MÜRREN.—Light snow falling.
RIGI SCHEIDEGG.—Clouding up; snow generally windswept.
SAANENMOSER.—Sunny, thawing; clouding up.
ST. ANTON AM ARLBERG.—Cloudy and warm; thawing.
ST. CERGUE.—Good spring snow on south slopes; snow patchy and thin below 4,000ft.
SPLUEGEN.—Cloudy and warm.
VILLARS.—Snow conditions rather difficult.
WENGEN.—Thawing; clouding up.

Court News

The Duke of York will attend the Industrial Welfare Society annual dinner on February 26.

Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyll, has postponed for a few days her departure to the South of France, where she is going to stay with the Duke of Connaught.

The Duke of Roxburghe left London on Monday for Floors Castle, Kelso.

The Marquess of Hartington left 85, Eaton-square on Sunday for Ireland.

The Earl and Countess of Lindsay will return to London on Tuesday, for a few days, from Kilconquhar House, Fife.

The Earl and Countess of Bessborough have returned to London from Stansted Park, Emsworth.

Countess Buxton and Lady Rayleigh will give a dance, in March, for their daughters, Lady Alethea Buxton, the Hon. Daphne Strutt, and Miss Cuthbert.

Lady Doreen Knatchbull will return to London this week from Mersham-le-Hatch, Ashford.

Viscount and Viscountess Goschen have returned to 25, Rutland-gate from Seacox Heath.

Viscountess Broome is prevented from sailing in the Llandaff Castle for Kenya Colony, and expects to return home from St. Jean de Luz at the end of February.

Lord Colum Crichton-Stuart returned to 22, Mansfield-street last week from Scotland. He will remain in London until Parliament rises.

Lord Craigmyle will return to 9, Bolton-gardens on Saturday from abroad.

Lord and Lady St. John of Bletso returned to London on Monday from Melchbourne Park, Bedfordshire. They will remain at 5, Ennismore-gardens for some time.

Lady Denman has returned from Balcombe Place, Sussex, to 43, Upper Grosvenor-street, where she will remain for several weeks.

Sir Samuel Hoare returned to London yesterday from Switzerland. Lady Maud Hoare is progressing as well as can be expected after her recent accident, and she will return to London in about a month's time.

Sir John Gilmour will return to London to-day from Montrave, Leven, Fife.

The Hon. Mrs. Alfred Lyttelton will return to London on February 7 from America.

The Hon. Lionel and Mrs. Guest will leave 26, Connaught-square next week and move to 6, Stanhope-place.

Lady Dashwood left yesterday for St. Moritz. She expects to be away for two weeks.

Lady Solomon has left Hampton Court Palace for South America, and will be away until the middle of April.

Owing to the illness of Lady Cohen, Sir Robert Waley Cohen has postponed his departure for West Africa, but hopes to sail in the course of next month.

Sir Henry and Lady Buckingham have moved from 15 to 27, Hans-place, S.W.1. (Telephone, Sloane 8991.)

Sir Walter Gilbey has left London for Bournemouth for three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Elliott Alves leave England to-day in the Aquitania for New York and Central America. Before proceeding to the West Indies Mr. Elliott Alves will remain in New York for three weeks, while Mrs. Elliott Alves will visit her relations in Montreal, returning to New York to join the Metapan for Panama on February 26. They will not return to England until the beginning of May.

The Duchess of Rutland and the Marchioness of Carisbrooke are organizing the annual ball for the Friends of the Poor, which will take place on May 20 at Eresby House, Rutland-gate, lent by the Earl and Countess of Ancaster.

Lady Norton is organizing a ball in aid of the Southern Irish Loyalists and ex-Service men, to be held at the Hyde Park Hotel on Thursday, June 12.

An ice carnival in aid of Westminster Hospital, the Westminster Nursing Committee, and the City of Westminster Philanthropic Society will be held on Thursday, February 27, at the Ice Club, 20, Grosvenor-road.

Some tickets are still available for the performance of *The Last of Mrs. Cheyney*, which is to be given at the New Scala Theatre on Monday, February 3, in aid of the Oxford and Bermondsey Club. They may be obtained from the organizer, Miss Therese Samuels, 18, Upper Gloucester-place, N.W.1. (Telephone, Paddington 9624.)

The funeral of Sir Edmund Barnard will take place at Sawbridgeworth to-morrow, at 3 o'clock.

LORD BYNG OF VIMY

DEPARTURE FOR SOUTH AFRICA ON FRIDAY

Lord Byng of Vimy will leave Southampton on Friday, in the Carnarvon Castle, on his postponed health trip to South Africa. His medical advisers state that his chief needs, after the severe illness through which he has passed, are quiet, rest, and sunshine.

Although his progress has recently been satisfactory, Lord Byng is still in the care of two nurses, and is only able to be up for a few hours a day. While he can read without fatigue, he is not allowed to write letters, and he has not been out of doors since the middle of November, except on two exceptionally fine days.

Lord and Lady Byng are to be the guests of Sir Abe Bailey at Muizenburg during the first fortnight of their stay in South Africa. In March they are to be entertained at Government House, Cape Town, by Lord Athlone. Subsequently they will visit Dr. Rogers, an old friend of Lord Byng's, who was with him in the South African Light Horse, and now has a large farm in Cape Colony.

The Carnarvon Castle is due at Cape Town on February 19, and Lord Byng hopes to be back in London early in May. Letters addressed to his home in his absence will not be forwarded, but all communications relating to his official duties will be dealt with at Scotland Yard.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

Mr. T. St. J. B. Alston and Miss I. D. Franklin

An engagement is announced between Thomas St. John Beilby Alston, only son of the late the Rt. Hon. Sir Beilby F. Alston, G.B.E., K.C.M.G., C.B., and of Lady Alston, 16, Neville-street, S.W.7, and Ivy Dorothy, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Franklin, of Buenos Aires.

Major R. H. Knowles and Miss Gibson

The engagement is announced between Major Richard Hall Knowles, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, third son of the late Mr. William Knowles and Mrs. Knowles, of Bolton, and Grace, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gibson, of Stanwell Lodge, Stanwell, Middlesex.

Mr. E. H. Lethbridge-Kingsford and Miss J. Arnold

The engagement is announced of Edward Hilary Lethbridge-Kingsford, only son of the Rev. and Mrs. E. Lethbridge-Kingsford, of 12, Lyndhurst-road, Exeter, and grandson of the late Colonel C. E. Newport, R.A., and Joan, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Arnold, of 1, Philbeach-gardens, S.W.

Mr. W. Greenhill and Miss J. Inglis

An engagement is announced between William Greenhill, C.A., Edinburgh, and Jean Inglis, daughter of Mr. H. A. Inglis, J.P., formerly Bank Agent, Ballantrae, Ayrshire, and niece of Miss Inglis, 36, Heriot-row, Edinburgh.

Mr. C. W. Shorland and Miss Stokes

The engagement is announced between Christopher, elder son of the Rev. M. A. and Mrs. Shorland, of Rosehill, Berwick, Shrewsbury, and Helen Beatrice, elder daughter of the Rev. Adrian and Mrs. Stokes, of Acton Burnell Rectory, Shropshire.

Mr. G. S. A. Wheatcroft and Miss M. S. Lock

The engagement is announced between George Shorrock Ashcombe, only son of Mr. Hubert Ashcombe Wheatcroft, of The Hayes, Radlett, Herts, and Mildred Susan, youngest daughter of the Rev. Dr. Walter and Mrs. Lock, of 13, Rawlinson-road, Oxford.

Mr. G. L. Ebbels and Miss Engholm

The engagement is announced between George Lionel, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Ebbels, of Selsdon Court, Sanderstead, and Norah, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Engholm, of Chelsea Court, S.W.3.

Mr. W. T. Hunter and Miss Holmes Hunt

The engagement is announced between Wilfrid Tennent Hunter, son of Mr. Frank Hunter, of Dixons, Lockerbie, N.B., and Phyllis, elder daughter of Mr. P. C. Holmes Hunt, M.Inst.C.E., of Melbourne, Australia. The marriage will take place in Calcutta during the third week of February next.

Mr. P. Hodgson and Miss Boyce

The engagement is announced between Peter, the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm E. Hodgson, of Wyndyate, Scarborough, and Edith Mary, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Boyce, of West Point, Nablane, Shipley, Yorkshire.

Mr. R. N. H. Moore Stevens and Miss D. Edwards

The engagement is announced between Ralph Noel Henry, younger son of Colonel Moore Stevens, Bellenden, Exeter, and of the late Mrs. Moore Stevens, and Diana, daughter of the late Captain Noel Edwards, 9th Lancers, and of Mrs. Heseltine, The Manor House, Berwick St. John, Shaftesbury.

Mr. J. R. S. Fergusson and Miss Stuart

An engagement is announced between John Robert Scott, the younger son of Norman Gardner Fergusson and Mrs. Fergusson, of Northchurch, and Cynthia Jean, the elder daughter of Major Athol Stuart and Mrs. Stuart, of Berkhamsted.

Mr. J. D. Dunn and Miss Bell

The marriage between Mr. John D. Dunn and Miss Ruby D. Bell will take place at St. Margaret's, Westminster, to-morrow (Thursday), January 30, at 2.15.

The marriage arranged between Mr. H. M. Brodhurst and Miss W. M. Wadman will not take place.

CHRISTENING

The christening took place at St. Paul's, Castlewellan, yesterday, of the infant daughter of Mr. and Lady Elizabeth Annesley. The Rev. J. D. R. Kidd officiated, and the child was named Margaret Elizabeth. The god-parents were Sir Henry Havelock-Allan, Mrs. Aylwin, and Mrs. Waring.

LUNCHEON

Mrs. Reed

Senator and Mrs. Reed entertained at luncheon in the Ritz Restaurant yesterday the Japanese Ambassador and Mme. Matsudaira, Viscount and Viscountess Astor, the Secretary of the U.S. Navy and Mrs. Adams, and Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Morrow and Miss Morrow.

NAVAL CONFERENCE DINNERS

Miss MacDonald

Miss MacDonald gave a dinner party at 10, Downing-street last night in connexion with the Naval Conference. Her guests were:—

Mme. Grandi, Lady Takarabe, Countess Rogeri di Villanova, Lady Chatterjee, Mrs. Ralston, Mme. Pietri, Mrs. Philip Snowden, Mrs. J. H. Thomas, Miss Sankey, Mrs. Sidney Webb, and Mrs. Graham.

Dinner parties in connexion with the Conference were also given by Mrs. Dawes, at the American Embassy; by Mrs. Alexander, at Admiralty House; and by Mrs. Wedgwood Benn.

Mrs. Dawes

Mrs. Dawes entertained the following ladies:—

Mrs. Stimson, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Hugh Gibson, Mrs. Morrow, Miss Morrow, Mrs. Pratt, Mrs. Hugh Wilson, Mrs. Hilary Jones, Mrs. Page, Mrs. Pringle, Mrs. Yarnell, Mrs. Hepburn, Mrs. Van Keuren, Mrs. Train, Mrs. Higgins, Miss Haynes, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Belin, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Key, Mrs. Galbraith, Mrs. J. R. Thomas, and Mrs. R. T. Hanson.

Mrs. Dawes held an informal reception afterwards, to which Miss MacDonald, Mrs. J. V. Alexander, and Mrs. Wedgwood Benn brought their dinner guests.

Mrs. Alexander

Mrs. Alexander's guests at Admiralty House were:—

Mme. de Fleuriau, Mlle. de Fleuriau, Miss Wilford, Mrs. te Water, Miss Wren, Lady Parmoor, Lady Trevelyan, Mrs. Greenwood, Mrs. Noel Buxton, and Miss Alexander.

Mrs. Wedgwood Benn

Mrs. Wedgwood Benn's guests were:—

Mme. Matsudaira, Mrs. Smiddy and the Misses Smiddy, Baroness Acton, Countess De La Warr, Lady Cynthia Mosley, M.P., Lady Benn, Lady Jowitt, and Miss A. Susan Lawrence, M.P.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Mrs. Eardley-Wilmot

A memorial service for Mrs. Eardley-Wilmot was held yesterday at Christ Church, Chelsea. The Rev. H. Claude Harland officiated, and among those present were:—

Mrs. Stephen Eardley-Wilmot, General Sir William and Lady Adair, Miss Plowes, Countess de Bellissen, Lady Carnock, Commander and Mrs. Cotesworth, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Cator, Miss Cator, Major and Mrs. Marshall, Colonel Charles Healey, Mrs. Ogilvie, Miss Twiss, Mrs. Wilfred Eaton, Mrs. Hubbard, Mrs. Geoffrey Marston, Mr. H. Sydney Smith, Mrs. Archibald Allen, Mrs. Cecil King, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Waggett, Mrs. Bartlett, Miss Bartlett, Mrs. Derwent Myles, Mrs. Richard Powell, Mrs. Lethbridge, Miss Lethbridge, Major Richard Rigg, Mr. A. D. Cotton, Mrs. E. Marston, and Miss Hadley.

The funeral of Mrs. Eardley-Wilmot took place at St. Martin's, Canterbury, yesterday afternoon. The Rev. J. T. Hales officiated. The chief mourners were:—Mr. C. S. Scott (brother), Mr. Archibald Allen (cousin), Miss Allen (cousin), and Major Marston (nephew). Among others present were:—Mrs. W. A. Lochee, Mrs. Blunt, Miss Grosvenor-Jennings, and Miss Seymour Coxe.

Mr. A. C. Dickson

A memorial service for Mr. A. C. Dickson, a well-known figure in the textile trade and a member of the City Corporation, was held yesterday at the Church of St. Botolph, Aldersgate. The Rev. R. Hanson (the vicar) officiated, and among those present were:—

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Dickson, Mr. N. E. Dickson, Mr. F. N. Dickson, Mr. Norman Dickson, Mr. and Mrs. Bradfield, Mrs. Venning, Sir Charles Johnston, Sir Charles Batho, Mr. A. M. Nortier (representing the Town Clerk), Mr. T. Harvey Hull, Mr. T. E. Barry (Staff Officer at the Admiralty), Mr. F. Rowland, Major Richard Rigg, Mr. F. W. Wibberley (representing William Owen and Co.), Mr. C. A. Gompertz, Mr. Stanley Mallett, Mr. J. D. Mounsey, Mr. H. D. Watkins, Mr. Murray James, Mr. John Rissen, Mr. Bernard Johnson, Mr. L. Seabright, Mr. S. Symons, Mr. Frank Pollitzer, Mr. E. M. Bissell, Mr. D. A. Knights, Mr. S. R. Neville, Mr. A. Marchand, Mr. W. H. Bassett, Mr. Walter Lawrence, Mr. H. W. Hall, Mr. G. S. Young, Mr. F. W. Chitty, Mr. W. G. Speck, Mr. W. P. Newman, Mr. W. A. Lapham, Mr. A. T. Lapham, Mr. Eric Bettson, Mr. W. Bonds, Mr. R. Bonds, Mr. N. L. Ball, Mr. F. J. Strover, Mr. A. W. Nash, Mr. F. V. Cockell, Mr. Leonard Tubbs, Mr. Gurney Nelson, Mr. Smythe, Mr. W. S. Knott, Mr. H. Stow, Mr. B. J. Maynard, Mr. J. G. Robeson, Mr. Lindley Jones, Mr. D. Hist, Mr. T. Bridge, Mr. George Lebash, Mr. H. Webb, Mr. A. S. King, Mr. H. C. Butt, Mr. H. T. Monk, Mr. F. Burney, Mr. Coats, Mr. T. Parker, Mr. J. H. Corby, Mr. J. Taylor, Mr. H. E. Matthews, Mr. J. H. White, Mr. D. W. Mortimer, Mr. C. J. Nevill, Mr. F. G. Wigley, Mr. W. J. Craig, Mr. S. G. Hibbard, Mr. Ellis, Mr. G. Cormack, Mr. W. Gattiker, Mr. Alfred Chapman, Mr. H. E. Watts, Mr. S. Smith, Mr. W. C. Bidmead, Mr. H. W. Rowlett, Mr. F. J. Pallan, the Rev. G. S. Davies (St. Alban, Wood street), Mr. David Haydon, Mr. E. H. Oxenham, Major Vine, Mr. S. B. Hubard, Mr. C. Watson, Mr. A. Hall, Mr. J. W. Reed, Mr. Walter Payne, Mr. H. Gladhill, Mr. H. J. Gray, Mr. C. Fletcher, Mr. H. Brown, and Mr. W. Foxton.

MARRIAGES

Mr. D. Studley-Herbert and the Countess of Seafield

Owing to the prolonged absence in East Africa of the Dowager Countess of Seafield, the marriage arranged between Mr. Derek Studley-Herbert and the Countess of Seafield took place quietly on January 24 at St. James's, Piccadilly. The Venerable the Archdeacon of Hampstead officiated.

Lieut.-Colonel P. R. Butler and Miss R. L. Curzon

The marriage took place quietly yesterday morning, in St. Patrick's Chapel, Westminster Cathedral, of Lieutenant-Colonel Patrick R. Butler, Royal Welch Fusiliers, eldest son of the late Lieutenant-General Sir William Francis Butler and of Lady Butler, and Miss Rhona Lilian Curzon, second daughter of the Hon. Assheton and Mrs. Curzon, of 125, Victoria-street, S.W. The Rev. R. U. Butler, O.S.B. (brother of the bridegroom), officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a long-sleeved dress of powder-blue lace over georgette, and a close-fitting hat to match. She carried a bouquet of red roses tied with red ribbon. There were no bridesmaids, and Mr. Alexander Rawlinson was best man. There was no reception, but among those present at the ceremony were:—

The Hon. Mrs. Curzon, Miss Joan and Miss Vera Curzon, Mr. Ralph Curzon, Viscountess Gormanston, Mrs. Kingscote, Captain Okeover, Miss Okeover, Mrs. Everard Meynell, Miss Joan and Miss Alice Meynell, Lady Walker, Mrs. Gwyn Reid Walker, the Hon. Mrs. Allsopp, Miss Allsopp, the Hon. Mrs. Lort Phillips, Mrs. Buckston, Miss Waller, Miss Bolt, Miss Poer O'Shee, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Oliver, Miss Violet Levy, Miss Gertrude Sweetman, Mrs. George Stokes, Mrs. Allan, Mr. Murray Sowerby, Mrs. Black, Mrs. Grey Granville, and Mr. Ll. Gwydyr-Jones.

The honeymoon is being spent in the South of France, and the bride travelled in a grey-and-blue coat and skirt.

Lieut.-Commander S. J. Layton Bennett, R.N., and Mrs. Courtis

The marriage took place at St. Paul's Church, Knightsbridge, yesterday afternoon, of Lieutenant-Commander Stuart John Layton Bennett, Royal Navy, son of the late Mr. Ernest Layton Bennett and of Mrs. Layton Bennett, and Mrs. Madge Marian Courtis, widow of Dr. Alan Courtis and daughter of the late Mr. John David Constable Arthur and of Mrs. Arthur, of Shanghai, China. The Rev. Wilfrid Gibbins (rector of Oxted, Surrey) officiated, and the bridegroom's brother, Mr. Kenneth Layton Bennett, was best man.

The bride was given away by Mr. J. C. Lake, and she wore a frock of powder-blue panne velvet, with a long, full skirt, and a close-fitting bodice, finished with a velvet bow at the back of the neck. She wore a small hat to match her frock and carried a bouquet of pink roses. Miss Joy Courtis, the bride's daughter, was the only bridesmaid, and she wore a picture frock of blue panne velvet, with a long skirt, and puffed sleeves to the fitting bodice. She wore a wreath of forget-me-nots and carried a Victorian posy of mixed flowers. A reception was held afterwards at the Rubens Hotel, Buckingham Palace-road, and those present included:—

Mrs. Layton Bennett, Miss Layton Bennett, Mrs. K. A. Layton Bennett, Miss Courtis, Sir John and Lady Courtis, Mr. W. H. Bennett, Miss Bennett, Mrs. Herbert Gould, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Gould, Mrs. F. Gould, the Misses Gould, Captain Lewis, Commander Ling, the Hon. Mrs. Arnold Viney, Mrs. H. V. Beddington, Mrs. Mills, Miss Gribble, Mrs. Arnold Jones, Dr. and Mrs. Laing and Miss Laing, Mrs. Ronald Worlock, Lady Worthington-Evans, Dr. and Mrs. Eberlie, Mrs. Hornell, Mrs. E. C. Gill, Mrs. James, Miss Jefferson, Mr. E. C. Loader, Miss Lake, Mr. Ian Lake, Mr. D. G. O'Neill, Mrs. Mosse, Mrs. Saunders, Mr. F. W. Rawlinson, Mrs. K. F. Piper, Mrs. Brock, Mr. and Mrs. Howell, the Misses Scott-Moncrieff, Mrs. Westcott, Mr. and Mrs. Tosswill, Lady Southborough, Mrs. Jackson and Miss Jackson, Dr. and Mrs. Cyril Joyce, Mrs. Lake, Mrs. Bain, Captain and Mrs. Phillips and Miss Phillips, Mrs. Belcher and Miss Belcher, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reeves.

Mr. J. F. Adye and Miss Brooke

The marriage took place at Holy Trinity, Brompton, yesterday, of Mr. John Frederic Adye, Royal Artillery, elder son of Major-General Sir John Adye, of 19, Wilton-street, and the late Lady Adye, and Miss Grace Désirée Ingham Brooke, of 25, Roland-gardens, S.W., only daughter of Brigadier-General C. R. Ingham Brooke and the late Mrs. Brooke. Prebendary A. W. Gough officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a simple long-sleeved gown of white satin with a long white tulle veil which formed the train. Her headdress was of orange-blossom, and she carried a bouquet of white camellias and wore a diamond pendant. There were two little girl attendants, Miss Betty Hall and Miss Virginia Phillimore, who wore long frocks of tangerine-coloured satin and wreaths of green leaves on their hair. They carried bouquets of deep tangerine-coloured tulips. There were also four grown-up bridesmaids—Miss Alvilda Bridges, Miss Rosemary Harrison, Miss Marcia Firebrace, and Miss Eleanor Iselin. They wore dresses like those of the little girls, with tight-fitting bodices and skirts with an uneven hemline which swept the ground. They had narrow wreaths of green leaves on their hair and carried bouquets of deep tangerine-coloured tulips. Mr. Astur Brooke (brother of the bride) was best man, and a reception was held afterwards at the Rembrandt Hotel, when among the guests were:—

Major-General Sir John Adye, Mrs. Apsley Smith, Mr. and Mrs. John Phillimore, Mrs. J. W. Philips, Mrs. Weyland Latham, Mrs. R. Latham, Mr. R. S. Latham, Miss Evan Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Morton Philips, Mrs. W. Ingham Brooke, Miss G. M. Brooke, Mrs. Tomlinson, Mrs. F. R. Grenside, Miss Barbara Brooke, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Bloxsome, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Bloxsome, Major-General and Mrs. Bonham Carter, Lady Bridges, Lady Southwark, Lieutenant-General Sir Herbert and Lady Belfield, Lady Cautley, the Hon. Mrs. Wrottesley, the Hon. Mrs. Walter Stopford, Sir Lewis Lougher, Sir Arthur and Lady Shirley Benn, Miss Nina and Miss Hilda Stopford, Countess Brassey, Lady O'Brien, Major the Hon. Henry and Mrs. Law, Mrs. Bradley, Major-General Sir Lionel and Lady Stopford, Sir Park Goff, Prince and Princess Troubetzkoy, Colonel and Mrs. Bond, Mrs. Hewitt, Mrs. Maurice Lloyd, Mrs. M. C. J. Lloyd, Colonel and Mrs. Carroll, Mr. T. M. Shelford, Mrs. Dunne, Miss Lambert, Mr. R. H. Willis, Mrs. Charles Seymour, Mrs. Underwood, Mrs. Savory, Miss Saville, Mrs. Shelford, Mr. Bland, Mrs. T. H. Carson.

Major and Mrs. Mansfield, Mr. J. W. Rose, Mr. Herbert Franklin, Mrs. F. Noad, Mrs. Gordon Craig, Mrs. Heath, Mrs. B. Chapman, Mrs. P. Fremantle, Mrs. Arthur Iselin, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Anstruther, Mrs. Beveridge, Mr. and Mrs. Orlando Wagner, Miss Wilson, the Misses Whitmore, Mrs. Firebrace, Mrs. J. Tatham Walker, Mrs. Barnardiston, Miss Betty Markham, Major-General F. Ramsay, Mrs. George Davies, Mrs. Borton, Captain and Mrs. Tancred, Mrs. E. Lane, Mrs. R. Maitland, Mrs. Hilliers, Major Matheson, Captain Leslie Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Edwards, Mrs. Cameron Skinner, Mrs. Francis Smith, Mrs. Villiers Smith, Mrs. Connolly, Captain and Mrs. C. Grenside, Mr. and Mrs. Holme, Miss Coddington, Mrs. Cuningham, Mrs. Hosken, Mr. J. Crosleigh.

Mrs. Murray Graham, senior, Mrs. Jebb, Mrs. H. Lamont, Miss Fowler, Colonel Boulton, Mrs. Crookshank, Captain Crookshank, Captain and Mrs. Luttman-Johnson, Mrs. Glanvill, Mrs. Whitaker Maitland, Mr. Cracroft, Mrs. Nelson, Miss Carson, Mrs. Boult, Mrs. R. Martin, the Misses Selby Bigge, Colonel and Mrs. Wayte, Dr. and Mrs. D. MacMannus, Mrs. Tomlinson, Mrs. J. C. Preston, Mr. D'Arcy Sullivan, Mrs. Lambert, Mrs. Penrose Thackwell, Mrs. Gervase, Mrs. Vaughan, Mr. W. Hickey, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Cator, Captain and Mrs. Bartlett, Mr. Alan Cracroft, Lieutenant and Mrs. Rupert Money, Colonel Montgomery Campbell, Mrs. Ernest Taylor, Captain Keith, Mrs. Guy Ward, Mrs. Charles Lee, Mrs. Henry Dunsmure, Mrs. W. A. Dumaresq, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick A. White, Mr. J. L. O'Connell, Mrs. G. V. W. Carey, Mr. Raymond de B. Layard, Mrs. Francis Gregson, and Mrs. Ernest Yeatherd.

Mr. D. Tighe and Miss Gibbs

The marriage took place yesterday, at St. Michael's, Chester-square, of Mr. Dan Tighe, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Tighe, of Rossanagh, Ashford, Co. Wicklow, and Miss Beatrice Gibbs, only daughter of Mrs. Harold Gibbs, of London, and the late Mr. Harold Gibbs. The Rev. J. Gibbs (cousin of the bride) officiated, assisted by Canon Mitchell.

The bride, who was given away by her brother, Captain George Gibbs, R.E., wore a gown of dove-coloured satin-backed moiré, the skirt of which was of old embroidered net, worked by her great-grandmother for her own wedding. Her veil was of dove-coloured tulle, finished with a spray of orange blossom over each ear, and she wore an old garnet necklace. She carried a bouquet of red tulips, white heather, and myrtle. The bridesmaids were Miss Sylvia Gibbs, Miss Barbara Cunard, Miss Bridget Kindersley, and Miss Moyra Tighe. They wore long, tight-fitting dresses of garnet-red satin-backed moiré, and short velvet coats and berets of the same colour. They carried bouquets of white tulips, tied with red ribbon. Mr. Leicester Tighe, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. A reception was held afterwards at 31, Chester-square, lent by Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Gault, and among those present were:—

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Tighe, Flight-Lieutenant and Mrs. Charles Tighe, Mrs. Tighe, Miss S. Tighe, Captain and Mrs. Walter Curran, Mrs. Harold Gibbs, Sir Charles and Lady Fortescue-Brickdale, Sir Ralph and Lady Coote, Lady Ashford, Lady Wyldbore-Smith and Miss Monica Wyldbore-Smith, Lord and Lady Cullen of Ashbourne, Lady Davis, Viscountess Ashbrook, Judge Sturges, the Rev. H. R. and Mrs. Huband, the Hon. Mrs. Henry Maxwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Batten, Major-General and Mrs. Charles Young, Mrs. Bevan, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mordaunt, the Hon. Mrs. Vereker, Major and Mrs. Guy Kindersley, Miss O. Tighe, Mr. and Mrs. W. Heaven, Mr. F. Harris, Captain Lewis Harris, Miss Tisdall Lucas, Mrs. Lucas-Scudamore, Captain Max Coote, Mr. and Mrs. Cokayne, Miss Laura Cunard, Mr. and Mrs. John Coote, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Gault, the Hon. Edith Gibbs, Mrs. Leslie Hamilton Gault, Mrs. Tommasin, Mrs. E. Fortescue-Brickdale, Mr. and Mrs. M. Fortescue-Brickdale, Mr. Sewell, Mrs. R. Salkeld, Mrs. Donald Roy, Mr. and Mrs. R. Sidebottom, Miss Frances Russell, Mrs. Claud Hanbury-Tracy, Mrs. Weldon, Miss Edith Webber, Miss Lilian Cosby, Mrs. Vernon Blake, Mrs. Otway Johnson, Mrs. Percy Meade, Miss M. L. Barker, Miss Bertha Crofton, Mr. Skeffington Smyth, Mr. T. F. Lewin, Mrs. Quinlen, Mrs. D'Olier, Mrs. Harper, Miss Newton King, Miss French, the Rev. H. and Mrs. Brownlow, Mrs. Empson, Miss P. Cunard, Mrs. Stewart Blacker, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Segrave, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Garratt, Captain Gregory Harris, Mrs. Hugh Archdale, Mrs. Hargreaves, Miss Pauline Andrews, and Miss Conway Gordon.

RECEPTION

The Lady Mayoress

The Lady Mayoress held her first reception at the Mansion House yesterday afternoon. It was largely attended, and the guests included many of the members of the Delegations to the Naval Conference and their ladies.

A programme of instrumental music was given by Newman's band. Miss Cecilia Farrar and Mr. Robert Naylor were the vocalists. An exhibition of civic plate much interested the company. The guests included:—

The Portuguese Ambassador, the Italian Ambassador, the Belgian Ambassador and Baroness de Cartier de Marchienne, Susan Duchess of Somerset, the Lithuanian Minister and Mme. Bizanskas, Lord and Lady Jessel and the Hon. Doreen Jessel, the Earl and Countess of Clarendon, Elizabeth Lady Cheylesmore, Viscountess Pirrie and Miss Carlisle, Viscountess Sandhurst, Lord and Lady Carson, Lord and Lady Airedale, Viscount and Viscountess Stopford, Lord and Lady Daryngton, Lord and Lady George Cholmondeley, the Hon. George and Lady Cynthia Colville, Lady Annaly, Lady Davidson of Lambeth, Lord and Lady St. John of Bletso, Lord and Lady Luke, Lord and Lady Hewart, Lord and Lady Strathspey, the Hon. Joan Grant and the Master of Grant, the Master of Sempill and the Hon. Mrs. Forbes-Sempill, the Hon. A. Holland-Hibbert, Mrs. Baldwin, Mrs. Philip Snowden, Lady (Hugh) Bell.

The Mayors and Mayoresses of Westminster, Kensington, Hammersmith, Stepney, Hampstead, Bermondsey, Camberwell, Woolwich, Southwark, Wandsworth, Islington, Shoreditch, Bethnal Green, Fulham, Lewisham, Battersea, Deptford, St. Marylebone, Hackney, Finsbury, Holborn, Greenwich, and Paddington.

Alderman Sir George Truscott, Mrs. Francis Wigglesworth, Lord Marshall and the Hon. Gwendolen Marshall, Lord and Lady Ebbisham and the Hon. Margaret and the Hon. Elizabeth Blades, Lord and Lady Wakefield, Sir Charles and Lady Batho, Sir William Pryke, Mrs. Cyril Turner, Sir Kynaston and Lady Studd, the Recorder and Lady Wild, Sir William and Lady Baddeley, Mr. Alderman and Sheriff Neal and Mrs. Neal, Major and Sheriff and Mrs. Bowater, Mr. Alderman and Mrs. Maurice Jenks, Mr. Alderman and Mrs. and Miss Greenaway, Sir Harry and Lady Bird, Sir William and Lady Thomas, Sir Harold and Lady Downer, Sir William and Lady Smith, Mr. Alderman and Mrs. Sandle, Sir Ernest and Lady Lamb, Sir William Coxen, Sir Henry and Lady Kimber, Sir Henry and Lady Davenport, Sir James and Lady Bell, Sir Hugh and Lady Turnbull, the Remembrancer and Mrs. Aspinall, the Secondary and Mrs. Hayes, the Comptroller and Mrs. Crowther Smith, Judge and Mrs. Holman Gregory, Judge and Mrs. Shewell Cooper, the City Architect, Lady Dickens, Mrs. Shuckburgh, the City Solicitor and Mrs. Pickford, Mr. Under-Sheriff and Mrs. Deighton, Mr. Under-Sheriff and Mrs. Champness, Major and Mrs. A. E. Wood.

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DINNER

Middle Temple

Yesterday being the Grand Day of Hilary Term in the Middle Temple, the following guests were entertained at dinner:—

Viscount Hampden, Viscount Sumner (Treasurer of the Inner Temple), the Bishop of Worcester, Lord Southborough, Lord Forres, Lord Hanworth (Master of the Rolls), Mr. Justice Farwell, Mr. Justice Bennett, Field-Marshal Sir Claude Jacob, Sir John Thomson-Walker, Sir Bernard Partridge, Brigadier-General K. J. Kincaid-Smith, Mr. P. A. Laszló de Lombos, the Very Rev. Dr. H. J. White (Dean of Christ Church, Oxford), Captain Oswald Birley, Mr. Stanley Christopherson, and the Rev. the Reader.

The Masters of the Bench present were:—

The Master Treasurer (Mr. Justice Horridge), Master W. English Harrison, K.C., Master Sir R. A. McCall, K.C., Master A. Macmorran, K.C., Master Sir Ellis Hume-Williams, K.C., Master Judge Sir Alfred Tobin, K.C., Master E. A. Mitchell-Innes, K.C., Master C. F. Lowenthal, K.C., Master Judge Holman Gregory, K.C., Master St. J. G. Micklethwait, K.C., Master Sir Lynden L. Macassey, K.C., Master Sir Cecil J. B. Hurst, K.C., Master Heber L. Hart, K.C., Master A. M. Dunne, K.C., Master Sir H. S. Cautley, K.C., M.P., Master J. Bruce Williamson, Master A. M. Sullivan, K.C., Master Judge Artemus Jones, K.C., Master W. T. Lawrance, K.C., Master Cecil Whiteley, K.C., Master J. Scholefield, K.C., Master E. H. Tindal Atkinson, and Master Sir J. B. Melville, K.C., M.P.

Emma Marion Dowager Viscountess Arbuthnott died on Monday at St. Raphael. She was the daughter of the Rev. J. H. Parlby, of Manadon, Devon, and she was married in 1878 to the 13th Viscount Arbuthnott, who died in 1920. She was the mother of the present peer and of Captain the Hon. Hugh Arbuthnott, the Hon. Mrs. Carnegie of Kinblethmont, and the Hon. Norah Arbuthnott.

CANAL FAMILIES

CHILDREN OF THE STILL WATERS

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT)

The canal boatman is an Englishman—not a gypsy. He wins his bread by one of the most exacting callings. He cannot succeed unless he is clean-living and honest. But he has no trumpeter. He is as unknown to the public as the public is to him. If the Bill at present before the House of Commons becomes law, a fine type that we cannot afford to lose must inevitably pass away. Of course no one will know. The master of the horse-drawn barge will leave the towpath as characteristically as he has rendered his services for over 150 years, silently, unnoticed, unrequited.

The new law will forbid the waterman's children to live on the barge until they are past 15 years of age, in order that they may be educated. It sounds a good idea. But how many people understand what it means? How many people will dare to say that here is a case in which a natural education is better than a State-prescribed one? Many people would dare if they knew the whole story.

But their story, even if heard, is not easily understood by the literate. They have a different point of view, and their lives are simpler, sounder, more continuous, more contented than ours are. Canal water and towpath mud are uncompromising things. They test a man acidly. If he has weak points, morally or physically, he goes to the Devil with rapidity, and his children seek some road other than the towpath. If he is a good man and his wife is a good woman, they survive and the children carry on the tradition. The first canal in England was made in 1762, when the memory of Bonny Prince Charlie was still fresh. It was an experiment which brought the Duke of Bridgewater to the verge of bankruptcy. But he was a magnificent enthusiast, and the desire to see his plan succeed went beyond the mere making of his waterway from Worsley to Manchester. It led him to select able men to work his inland merchant navy. There are descendants of these men still on the water. The links have been unbroken—born on the water, married on the water, died on the water. Between London and Kendal the marriage registers and the headstones tell the tale. And the school registers?

To be a good bargee you must be brought up to it all your life. And your education must consist of five things. You must learn to be shrewd. You must learn to keep up your own end and that of the man for whom you work, to be alert, to stick it out in all weathers. Reading and writing are not only superfluous but dangerous, begetting the reading of novelettes at the tiller, a desire to leave the towpath for the faster moving world outside, a desire to leave the open air for the office, to change the fustian trousers for those of cloth.

There are two worlds in England—the towpath, and the other. They do not mix. The towpath world is simply divided into an upper and a lower stratum—watermen good and bad: the good watermen whose fathers were good watermen before them, and who will remain good till the end of their days; the bad watermen who, because they are bad or weak, cannot survive, whom squalor, drink, and famine are already besetting, who are going miserably to the Devil with their mouths full of oaths. These are not the representative type of the waterways. They crop up and perish. The good bargee remains.

It is because of the persistence of the old water families who have believed in sticking to their particular work and eschewing erudition that we have preserved on our waterways the speech, dress, customs, and hardihood that belong to the coaching days, and have elsewhere become extinct. As to the other world, the waterman does not come in contact with it because he sticks to the towpath. You see this other world from the towpath but you do not meet it. You can pass through Manchester, Liverpool or Birmingham on the towpath and meet no one but canal people. The life is much more isolated than the deep-sea sailor's. The waterman has no home port. His home is on his barge.

Now the crux of the matter is, how can the waterman be the good man, and the happy man, and the contented man that he is when he has to live in a tiny cabin, endure unspeakable hardships of weather, and work from summer dawn to summer dusk—a 16 or 17 hour day? It is because of the women. Everything depends on the women. To begin with, the canal girl, brought up from childhood to work the lines, the locks, and the tiller, is a type seen nowhere else—an ancestral type, too. Open air and vigorous exercise have set her up with a figure and a complexion hardly found among the house-reared. Rarer still, her mind is pure. The waterwoman thinks as much of her barge as the old sailing-ship master did of his ship. Everything on board must be smart and tidy, and polished up, and spotless. To this end she will provide extra fittings, such as brass rings round the iron chimney, and in the cabin knobs for knobs' sake—to show polish.

Everything is painted bright colours. And these, and the designs, are not haphazard. The present schemes of colour, so naive and yet so effective, have been evolved through generations. There is no doubt that when the last painted horse-drawn boat has tied up for the last time, the æsthetic vogue that has never visited the towpath will set in. And what homes these women do make! Yet the new law will break them up. The women will have to go with the children. Certain members of Parliament have been going "to see for themselves" by paying a visit to some canal boats. They may see something. But you cannot talk the language in a bowler hat. You cannot in five minutes know what it is to live that great open life of gentle silent movement and melting landscapes, working while you are always at home with your family. Even the patriarchs did not live better.

Reading, writing—there's no boundings!
(Learning's only strife.)
Though we sail in shallow soundings
We have mighty big surroundings
That'll give us more than groundings
In the Book of Life.

THE RIVIERA

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

CANNES, Jan. 25

Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. W. Hamilton Lang have rented from Prince and Princess Gennaro de Bourbon the Villa La Casucha, at Mandelieu. Lord and Lady Cecil Douglas are staying at the Carlton Hotel for a few days, coming from Monte Carlo. Other arrivals at this hotel are Sir Gomer Berry, Sir William Graham, the Countess of Carnarvon, Captain Marshall Roberts, Mrs. Beattie, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Baron, and Captain S. P. Newhouse. Lady Glanusk and Lady Windham are staying at the Hotel Gonnet, Lady Cain at the Beau-Site, and Sir John and Lady Ropner and M. Jules Cambon at the Californie Palace.

A dinner club has been formed among some of the villa residents, and will meet weekly, on Mondays, at the Casino. Among the members are Sir Stuart and Lady Coats, Sir John and Lady Lavery, Admiral of the Fleet Lord Wester Wemyss and Lady Wester Wemyss, Captain and Mrs. Ivan Barrington-White, Mrs. Stuart-Wortley, Mr. and Mrs. Ian Campbell, and Captain and Mrs. M. A. Sands.

LONDON FASHIONS

IMPROVED STOCKINGS

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT)

Although every year silk stockings are becoming softer, finer, and more flexible, they are gaining in durability. In the past fine-gauge stockings would run into ladders if the wearer engaged in any active pursuit; but nowadays it is most unusual to see a blemish in a dancer's stocking either in a ballroom or on the stage. Manufacturers have learned to produce hosiery that is strong as well as "sheer," for they know that high prices for stockings which have soon to be discarded, or repaired at about half the cost of a new pair, cause resentment.

Various devices have been employed to prolong the life of stockings, in material and weaving, as well as in simple methods such as the widening of suspender-tops; a drop-stitch ring above the knee; making them full-fashioned; far longer in the leg; and reinforcing feet and heels with heavier thread. These double heels are now made to add character to the stocking. The old square heel, which looked ugly and accidental, was fortunately long ago superseded by the decorative pointed heel, which, in its turn, is now giving place to the French heel. In America double-pointed heels, or twin-heels, are in demand.

Clocks are again fashionable, but are now wider and higher—from one to two inches farther up the ankle. Some have been seen in Paris running downwards from the knee to the middle of the calf, but these are generally unusual. Paris is producing various examples of freak hosiery with perhaps an anklet of coloured embroidery, or openwork drop-stitch, on one stocking only; black butterflies woven in the centre back of transparent stockings at the base of the calf; hand-painted flower-garlands running from the outside to the inside ankle-bone, leaving the front space unadorned; a pink carnation painted on the instep of flesh-tinted stockings with feathery green foliage running up and down; a delicate panel of forget-me-nots ornamenting the front of beige stockings; or hanging fringes of wistaria in natural colours curving high over the backs of the calves of grey stockings.

Openwork stockings have been revived, and those of sheer black silk with gossamer lace inset are perhaps the most effective. Some are made with front panels from the instep to just below the knee; others are completely of lace. There are also stockings of dark grey (platinum) or pale beige chiffon-silk, with fine cobweb open-work embroidery; but the plain varieties of sheer silk with only high openwork clocks at the sides will certainly be more popular in England, made in the pale peach and apricot-pink tints which have displaced the sun-tan shades of last year.

Phantom tones, of yellow tinge, are to be worn with egg-shell and French-flesh coloured frocks; and always the hosiery must match the shoes and the gown.

RESCUES AT SEA

AWARDS FOR SERVICES RENDERED

The Board of Trade have awarded a piece of plate to Mr. John Imlach, skipper of the steam drifter Queen, of Buckie, in recognition of the services rendered by him in effecting the rescue of the crew of the steam drifter Lovedale, of Banff, on November 11. The drifter Lovedale, during a gale in the North Sea, out of Lowestoft, had sprung a leak, and her main engine-room pumps had become choked. Although a heavy sea was running, the skipper of the Queen, by skilful seamanship, succeeded in taking his vessel alongside the Lovedale, which was labouring heavily, and the nine members of the crew of that vessel were able, at the first attempt, to jump safely on board the Queen.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Foreign Office, two gold watches and two binocular glasses for Mr. F. V. H. Hahn (skipper), Mr. P. Dunbar (mate), Mr. F. Doncaster and Mr. J. H. Twidle (chief and second engineers respectively), of the steam trawler Rudyard Kipling, of Hull. In addition, monetary rewards for the remaining members of the crew have been received. These awards have been made by the President of the German Reich, in recognition of the services which were rendered by the Rudyard Kipling to the crew of the German fishing vessel Johs Thode, which stranded on the Murman Coast in January, 1929.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR TO-DAY

Royal Commission on Civil Service, Ministry of Health, 10.30.
South African Luncheon Club: Dinner to General Smuts, Savoy Hotel, 8.
Royal Society of St. George: Annual banquet of City of London branch, Hotel Cecil, 7.
Norwegian Club: Annual dinner, Connaught Rooms, 7.30.
Antiquarian Booksellers' Association: Annual dinner, Frascati's Restaurant, 7.30.
Westminster Hospital: Lord Lee of Fareham opens Radium Annexe, 66, Fitzjohn's-avenue, 12.30.
County Councils Association: Meeting of Executive Council, Guildhall, Westminster, 11.15.
Royal Society of Arts: Sir Thomas H. Holland on "International Movement of Mineral Products during Peace and War." Lord Chelmsford presiding, 8.
British Academy: Mr. A. M. Hind delivers annual lecture on Aspects of Art, "Early Italian Engraving," 5.
United Club: Lord Wolmer opens discussion on "Post Office Reform." Sir Boyd Merriman presiding. Constitutional Club, 8.30.
Church of England Council of Empire Settlement: Miss Ella Sykes on "An Experience in Canadian Home Life," and "English Boys on Canadian Farms," Imperial Institute, 5.15.
Royal Society of Literature: Mr. Laurie Magnus on "The Testament of Beauty," Dr. Inge presiding, 5.
Conservative and Unionist Central Office: Mrs. Norreys addresses South-Eastern Area Women's branch on "Foreign Policy," 11.15.
Unionist Canvassing Corps: Lord Lloyd on "British Interests in the Middle East," Caxton Hall (admission by card only), 11.30.
Mr. Eric Maclagan on "Donatello," in aid of the Y.W.C.A. Overseas, the Italian Ambassador presiding, 27, Grosvenor-square, 5.30.
Society of Yorkshiremen in London: Annual general meeting, Victory House, Leicester-square, 6.
Institute of Journalists: Reception to foreign journalists now in London in connexion with the London Naval Conference, Stationers' Hall, 5.
Fabian Society: Mr. John Hilton on "The Origin and Working of the Birmingham Municipal Bank," Livingstone Hall, 8.30.
British Medical Association: Meeting of the Marylebone division, Wellcome Historical Medical Museum, 8.30.
Institute of the Horse: Captain J. C. Campbell on the "Application of the Aids or Signals in Riding," Queen Victoria Rifles' Headquarters, Davies-street, 3.
Trinity College of Music: Mr. John Filmer on "Operatic Convention," 5.30.
British Museum (Natural History): Dr. Douglas Allan delivers Swiney lecture on Geology, 5.30.
Eugenics Society: Professor Holmes on "Family Resemblances in Mental Traits and the Weakness of the Environmentalist Explanation," Burlington House, 8.30.
Church of the Annunciation, Marble Arch: Bach Recital by Mr. R. A. Ebdon, 6.30.
University College: Miss A. S. Cooke on "Recent County Library Developments," 5.30.
King's College: Professor G. S. Veitch on "The Social and Political Ideas of some representative thinkers of the Revolutionary Era: the Early English Radicals," 5.15.
Central School of Arts and Crafts: Sir Banister Fletcher on "Roman Temples and Basilicas," 6.
Gresham College: Dr. Compton-Rickett on "Edmund Spenser," 7.30.
Lyric Theatre, Hammersmith: *Dandy Dick*, 8.
Apollo Theatre: *Nine Till Six*, 8.30.
Arts Theatre: *On the Quota*.
Marriage: Captain C. R. W. Maunsell and Miss Boyd, St. Barnabas, Pimlico, 11.
Funerals: Colonel F. L. Livingstone-Learmonth, Shillingstone Church, Dorset, 11.30; Mr. J. F. Finlay, Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, Guildford, 2.30; Colonel Sir Edward Curre, Itton Court, Chepstow, 3.30; Lady Salusbury Trelawny, Kensal Green Cemetery, 12.

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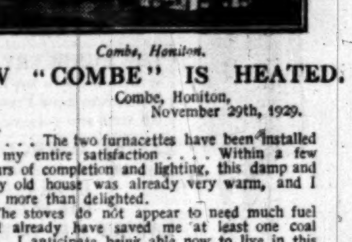
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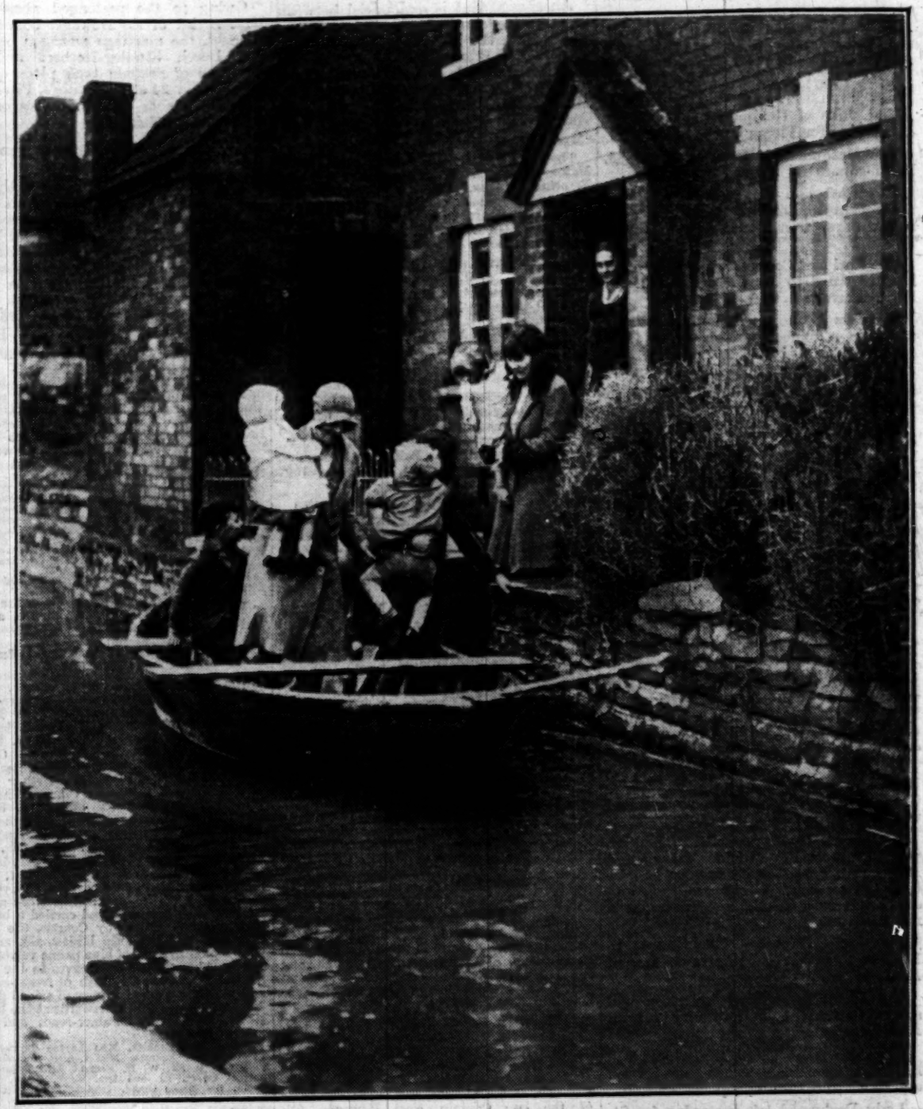
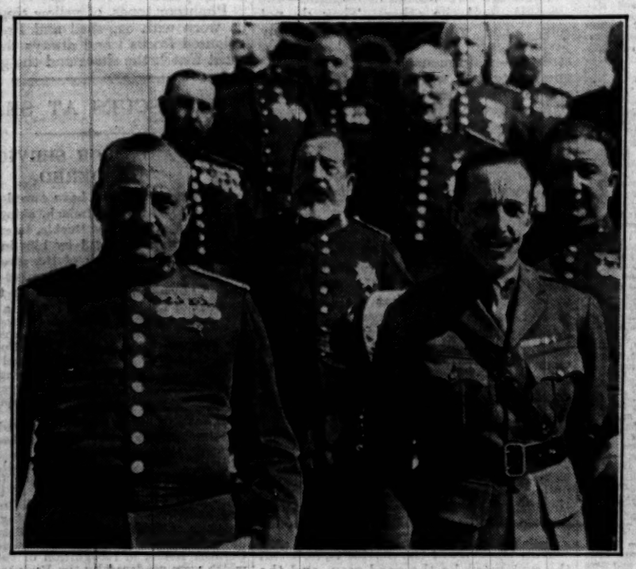
RENEWED FLOODS IN SOMERSET: RIVER TONE EMBANKMENT BURST



REBUILDING THE DIKE.—The River Tone, in Somerset, which flooded a large area in December, burst its banks on Monday after 24 hours of incessant rain, and the villages of Athelney and Stan Moor are again under water. Some of the villagers who had returned to their homes only a few days ago removed their possessions once more and sought shelter elsewhere. Both on Monday evening and yesterday men and women worked hard trying to replace the defence of sandbags. On the left is a scene at Athelney yesterday, when villagers were building a new embankment of sandbags behind the broken dike built in December. On the right is a family starting out on a visit by boat, their only means of transport. Fortunately the level of the river was falling yesterday.



SPANISH DICTATOR RESIGNS.—It was announced yesterday that the Marqués de Estella, the Prime Minister of Spain, has resigned, and that General Berenguer has been asked to form a Cabinet. On the left is a photograph of General Berenguer, and on the right the Marqués de Estella is seen (left) with the King of Spain and some of the members of the former Cabinet.

MOSCOW MONASTERY DESTROYED.—A view of the ancient Simonoff Monastery on the outskirts of Moscow, the cathedral and walls of which are reported to have been blown up by pyroxylin on the night of the anniversary of Lenin's death. The monastery was founded in 1370.

A SPANISH ARTIST'S WORK.—A painting of the artist's daughter by Señor Santa Marina. An exhibition of his works will be opened next Tuesday at the Arlington Galleries by the Spanish Ambassador, the Marqués de Merry del Val.

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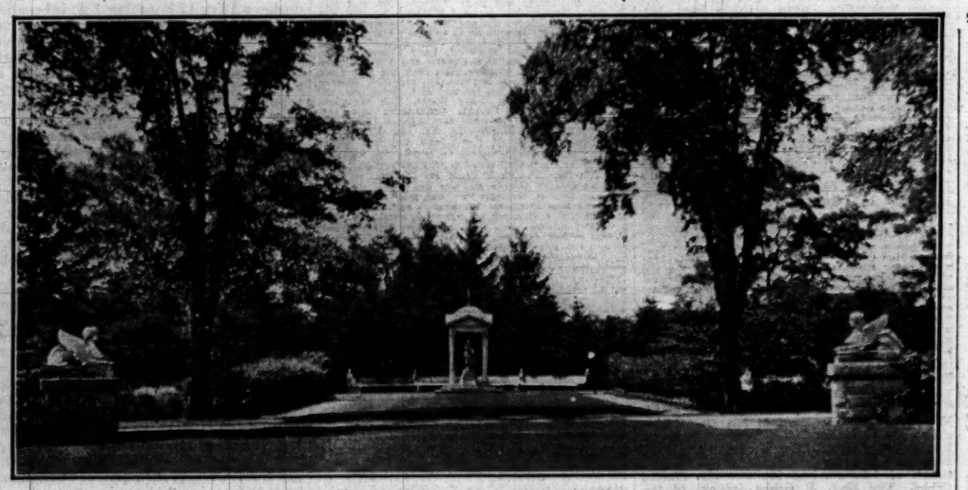

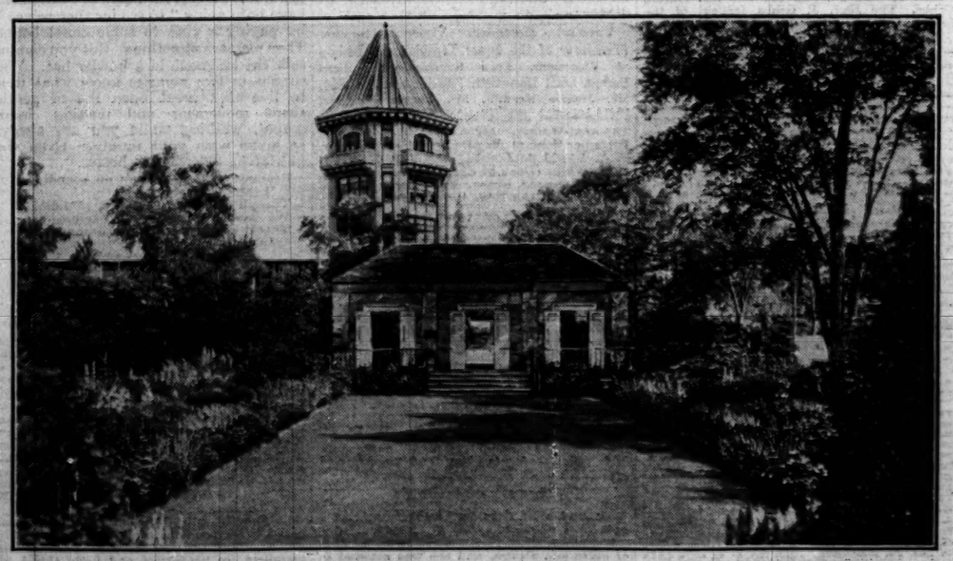

FACTORY GARDENS IN AMERICA.—One of the objects of the Garden Club of America is to induce the owners of factories to preserve the amenities of the districts in which they build. Our two photographs illustrate what can be done in this direction. They are views in the landscape garden made as a surrounding to the printing factory of the Condé Nast Press on each side of the New York-Boston road, which bisects the estate.

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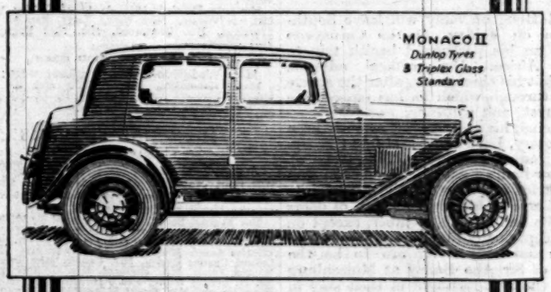

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NAVAL CONFERENCE

LORD GREY ON ITS TASK

THE GREAT PEACE MOVEMENT

The delegates to the London Naval Conference were entertained by the Pilgrims at dinner in the Hotel Victoria last night, under the presidency of Lord Grey of Fallodon, who proposed the toast of the Conference. The reply was made by Signor Dion Grandi, the Italian Foreign Minister and leader of the Italian delegation. A short speech was also made by Mr. Henderson, the Foreign Secretary. Several ambassadors were present, besides a number of Cabinet Ministers and all the members of the foreign delegations.

Mr. WILSON TAYLOR (hon. secretary) read the following telegram from the Pilgrims of the United States:—"The Pilgrims of the United States send hearty greetings; and from across the sea join in cordial welcome to the delegates of the five great peoples in conference to promote the peace of the world. American public opinion is confident that a long step forward will be taken.—NICHOLAS MURRAY BUTLER, President."

LORD GREY, proposing the toast of "The Delegates to the London Naval Conference," said the Pilgrims were an Anglo-American institution, but that night they emphasized the international character of the entertainment. This was a great international occasion—the meeting of the Five-Power Naval Conference in London. The thoughts of the world were centred on it. What were the hopes? It seemed to him there were two, one comparatively small, which was that by naval agreement a reduction of expenditure on armaments might be reached to relieve the heavy burdens of taxation on the peoples. The other was a larger hope that the success of the Naval Conference would mark a real step forward towards world security and world peace.

Before this, human ideals had gone through four phases. The first phase was one where they were regarded as so visionary and remote that statesmen did not think it practical politics to discuss them. The second was one where they were regarded as possible. The third was one where they were regarded as probable, and the fourth and final stage was when they were considered matters of course. We had not reached that final stage yet. Probably it was reserved for a future generation to reach that last, final, and happy stage.

"But," he continued, "we have, at any rate, got past the first stage, when world peace was regarded as a visionary and remote dream. We have left that behind, and the fact that this great Conference is meeting in London now is proof that this great ideal of world security is a matter to which practical statesmen have set their hands. I would not presume to talk about the matters which are going to come before the Conference. We all know there are difficulties, but those who are engaged in the Conference know them better than anyone, and it would be superfluous to say anything about them. Those who are engaged in the Conference know better than anyone can tell them the means by which they may be overcome. I propose, therefore, to talk rather of the setting in which the Conference is taking place. By setting, I mean this: that it is not an isolated thing. It has to be taken as part of the great peace movement, in the light of what has already preceded it. The first thing, I think, we may congratulate ourselves upon is that we have got out of the vicious circle in which we found ourselves owing to the competition of armaments before the War.

A VICIOUS CIRCLE

"One nation, not feeling secure, would make armaments in order to make itself feel secure, but, trying to secure itself in that way, became a cause of fear to some other nation. That nation then made armaments. Then came the competition of armaments, all designed for the purpose of making nations secure; a competition in the end which resulted in fear all round. We have got out of that vicious circle and are on the steady path of progress towards security. The progress along that path must be gradual. At one time it seemed as if we were in a dilemma. There were people who said: 'Armaments have been the cause of fear and of want of security. The only way to get security is to reduce armaments.' There were other people who said: 'You will never reduce armaments until you get security.' Between the two, the view that you would never have security until you reduced armaments and that you would never reduce armaments until you had security, the movement became retarded.

"In a dilemma like that the only thing to do is to do something. A good deal has been done by securing security first and then addressing ourselves to the question of armaments. What is the position since the War? Look at the important frontiers of Western Europe. Before the War there were at least two separate alliances designed to secure those frontiers. What was the result? I am no mathematician, but I understand that in algebra, if you multiply two minuses they make a plus. It seems to me that in these affairs you can get a position in which two plus fears result in a minus. You had your two alliances designed to secure security and the result was fear that was a minus. Instead of two separate alliances to secure peace you have now one treaty, one security in which all are interested and have an equal share. I mean the Treaty of Locarno. I give it as an instance of the change of method. Another is the Anglo-Japanese alliance, a thing on which I, at any rate, have no reason to look back with anything but satisfaction, and which I believe served a useful purpose to both countries. Its place has been taken by the Four-Power Agreement about the Pacific. See what that means. The national arrangements and counter-arrangements before the War, it was hoped, would avert war, but in fact they were a preparation for the contingency of war. The new methods since the War have been designed not merely to avert war, but to avert the need for the preparation against war. That is a great change.

"The United States had no share in the pre-War arrangements and for very obvious reasons. All these alliances, ententes, and separate arrangements before the War were not the result of a choice by nations, but were necessities. Two nations were feeling that each of them needed the support of the other for its own interests, and each was giving to the other a *quid pro quo* for the support it hoped to receive. The United States happily has never known these necessities. You have only got to look at the map and to consider its resources to realise that this sort of arrangement which took place before the War could have no basis in discussions between the United States and any other country. These arrangements before the War were based on a need of mutual support; on mutual necessity. We realise—at least I realise—that in any discussions with the United States about political arrangements, they can never in the nature of the case be on that basis.

THE KELLOGG PACT

"We want friendship and cooperation with them, but if we are to have it, it must not be for any exclusive national arrangement, but for some matter of world policy, which is inclusive, and not exclusive. We hoped that the League of Nations were going to provide the opportunity for such cooperation. The United States decided not to join the League of Nations. The opportunity for that cooperation was provided instead by the Pact for the renunciation of war. That is the form of cooperation, and one advantage of the new method is that it brings into cooperation the United States of America.

"I am not going to discuss the comparative value of the League of Nations and the Pact for the renunciation of war, but let me say in passing that I have never known a treaty familiarly known under so many names as the Pact for the renunciation of war. It is sometimes called the Kellogg Pact, sometimes the Briand-Kellogg Pact, sometimes the Pact of Paris, sometimes the Pact for the renunciation of war, and sometimes the Peace Pact. I do not say that in any disparaging way. On the contrary, I welcome all these different terms as terms of endearment. I will not dwell at length on the effect of this because, among other things, our speeches are being broadcast, and when speeches are broadcast there is always a yardstick by which the length of the speeches is measured.

"I would like, however, to say one word about this Peace Pact. I think people are sometimes rather tempted to under-estimate its effect on world peace from the fact that it has no sanctions. It is true that the Peace Pact does not say what will happen if any nation which is a party to it breaks it, but neither does it say what will not happen. It seems to me that the Peace Pact makes it very clear that any nation that breaks it would not be popular. No one can say that anything definite will happen, but no one can say what will not happen. It seems to me that the apprehension of the unknown is sometimes as efficient a restraint as fear of what is actually known. In all human affairs—it is one of the lessons of the last War—the unforeseen is much more formidable than the foreseen.

ATMOSPHERE OF SECURITY

"None of these things by themselve has given the world absolute security, but the cumulative effect of them has been that security is in the air, and without all this that has happened, without the atmosphere of security, the Naval Conference would not have met under the great hopes that it does to-day. The test, after all, of these agreements, the test of whether they have contributed to the security of the world, is whether the result is going to be reduction of expenditure or not. That is the test, and I take the fact that the Naval Conference is meeting to-day as evidence that the agreements which have been made have already done something to make the world feel a little more secure, and to make reduction of armaments more easy.

"The League of Nations received a great blow when the United States refused to join it, but it functions, and it has increased its prestige, and now the world, in addition, has that Pact for the renunciation of war. These two things are neither of them exclusive, and, taken together, they form a greater bulwark against war than any single instrument. Then look at the failure of the Three-Power naval conference at Geneva. It seemed a set-back. But here we are to-day, not with a Three-Power naval conference but with a Five-Power naval conference, and one to which not merely delegates and experts have been sent but one to which the countries represented have sent their leading statesmen—Prime Ministers and Secretaries for Foreign Affairs. I cannot help feeling that much as we deplore the failure of that Three-Power naval conference, the fact of its failure and its lesson to those who took part in it is going to bear good fruit in contributing to the success of the much greater naval conference now taking place."

In coupling with the toast the name of Signor Grandi, LORD GREY said the traditional friendship between Italy and this country was well known. He said, in conclusion:—"In giving you the toast of the delegates to the Five-Power Naval Conference, I will only, if I may, say that after the speeches they have made hitherto I have felt very encouraged. They have not glossed over the fact that there are difficulties. They have expressed determination to overcome difficulties. They have shown a deep sense of responsibility, a consciousness that the hopes of the world are turned towards them, and determination that those hopes of the world shall not be disappointed. I look forward with confidence to the result of the Naval Conference marking a step forward. Just as we are saying to-day that without what has gone before this Naval Conference would not have met with such hopes, so a year hence we may be saying, when there is still further improvement, that but for the work of the Naval Conference in London that particular step forward would not have been made."

SIGNOR GRANDI'S REPLY

SIGNOR GRANDI, in reply, said:—

To speak on this occasion, before so distinguished a gathering, and on behalf not only of my own delegation, but of all those here represented—the delegations of America, Great Britain and the Dominions, France, and Japan—is indeed an honour and one which I fully appreciate.

I consider myself much favoured that it has fallen to my lot to reply to that eminent statesman, Lord Grey, to whom we have all listened with such deep interest, who, during the many years he directed the foreign policy of the country whose guests we are, was always guided by lofty national and international ideals. Allow me to express first of all our profound admiration for him personally. At the same time we thank in him not only the distinguished statesman, but also the Chairman of the Pilgrims' Society, on whose behalf he has addressed us, and which has given us so cordial and gratifying a welcome.

And now I must make a confession, an open confession. When, in the allocation of what the brilliant first delegate of France, M. Tardieu, has described as our "global oratorical tonnage"—and this is the only case in which I do not claim parity—the category "Pilgrims" fell to me, my satisfaction at the distinction was tempered—I speak quite frankly—by some hesitation. Two distinguished speakers, Mr. Stimson, the first delegate of America, and M. Tardieu, the first delegate of France, had on similar occasions expressed our common thoughts and intentions in two admirable speeches. Was I adequately acquainted, not only with your language but with your mode of thinking and feeling, to speak on this occasion?

But this first impression gave way to others. In the course of my not yet lengthy diplomatic career it was in England and in America that I discharged, just four years ago, the two first missions entrusted to me by my chief, Signor Mussolini. I have cherished recollections of my first visit to England no less than of my first visit to the United States, a country which I greatly hope to revisit some day.

The Pilgrims' Society symbolizes the enduring bonds binding the great country whose guests we are to that other great land beyond the seas, and here in your midst my old affection for your two countries merges into one common feeling of cordial friendship for both.

The Pilgrims, I have said, are a symbol reminding us of one of the most significant events in history. As I stand here to-night there rises before me a vision of that ship which, centuries ago, traversed the wide wastes of ocean loaded with a mission and a destiny, and it seems to me that we must go back to the myths of ancient Greece telling of men who set out to sail the unknown seas, their course steered by the will of the gods, to find anything to equal it.

MANY PROBLEMS, BUT ONE SPIRIT

Considerations such as these have overcome my hesitation, and I will speak to you as a friend to friends. What shall I say? During the last few months your Press has daily dished you up disarmament; for more than a week we have all been speaking one language, the language of disarmament. Were we to determine the ratio between our disarmament speeches and total oratorical tonnage it would be found such as to satisfy even the most extensive programmes, and I, too, will speak this evening on disarmament.

I will not go into details, for I am revealing no secret when I say that were I to do so my remarks would become inextricably involved in the multiplicity of view-points and in the complexities of the subject, a multiplicity and complexity which increase as we proceed with the examination of the problems before us.

And how could it be otherwise? How could a problem of such vast import, fraught with such grave consequences, fail to be many-sided and complex?

Under one of its aspects, however, multiplicity and variety merge into uniformity, for we all want to conciliate divergent standpoints in the common interest of all concerned, desirous as we are of contributing to that work of reconstruction on which we are now engaged after the greatest and most tragic conflict which history records. If the problems are many, the spirit in which we approach them is but one.

After all, is not this one of the most important of the many conferences which for the past 10 years have worked at the task of world reconstruction and improvement? The work already achieved in these laborious post-War years has indeed been enormous: reconstruction of moral and political ideals in the national and international field; economic and financial reconstruction; reconstruction in all directions. Yet much remains to be done. Grave problems affecting all nations, problems of fundamental importance for their ordered and prosperous future, loom large on the horizon, and their satisfactory solution can neither be neglected nor postponed.

Whenever these grave matters come up for discussion we have to choose between attempting an integral and general settlement or relying on partial and progressive solutions. We are thus faced by two different view-points and two different modes of procedure; by two aspects of one common purpose. We are sure, however, that the will we all have to succeed in the task which has brought us together will prevail.

And now allow me to touch on another side of the question. In this, as in all problems of international life, two kinds of needs must be considered—those of a national and those of an international order. Obviously there cannot be an agreement which does not to some extent limit the freedom of those who sign it. But there is a limit to that limitation; it consists in securing that equality of opportunity which must always be assured to all countries alike.

Armaments must not only be contained and limited; they must be reduced to the lowest possible limit. Actual, not merely apparent reduction: this is what the peoples demand and expect from the London Conference. They are no longer satisfied with the usual commonplaces, with the glittering generalities of the all too-often repeated speeches. The time for all that has gone by. The peoples desire to hear new voices; they are waiting to compare deeds with words. They will judge us by our work.

My country and the Chief of my country have laid down a vast programme of work for the progress of my country, requiring a long period of peace for its execution, and absorbing the major resources and best energies of the Italian people. Italy is desirous of carrying out this programme in a peaceful Europe and a peaceful world, and is ready and anxious to participate actively in all international activities likely to secure that end. Such is the ideal of my country.

And now I am back at my starting point, and will again express, on behalf of all our delegations, our warm appreciation of the reception given us by the great nation whose guests we are, our thanks to the Pilgrims' Society, which has brought us together this evening, and to our distinguished chairman, who has given us so cordial a welcome. On behalf of us all, I wish success to the Conference in the attainment of the high aims it has in view for the prosperity and welfare of all the nations here represented, and for the strengthening of those bonds of friendship and solidarity which unite all the nations of the world. (Cheers.)

A WORLD-WIDE TREATY

Mr. ARTHUR HENDERSON, proposing the health of the Chairman, said that Lord Grey's devotion in the cause of disarmament and good international relationships had never been questioned. No one who new this country doubted that by his services Lord Grey had done very much to create that vast body of enlightened public opinion which supported the movement for the organization of world peace.

The Pilgrims were an organization whose very purpose was the promotion of better relations between the nations of the world. On both sides of the Atlantic their influence had been consistently and persistently exercised on behalf of peace and wisdom. Mr. Henderson proceeded:—

Not only the delegates of the Anglo-Saxon peoples but the delegates of the five great naval peoples of the world have met together to discuss the means by which they can reduce the burden of the armaments their Governments maintain. I know that every one of those delegates, from whatever country he may come, is well aware of the grave responsibility that rests upon him. He is well aware that if the Conference succeeds we shall go forward with the Preparatory Commission at Geneva to make a worldwide treaty—a treaty that will get rid of the menace of competitive armament in every continent and in every sea.

If, on the other side, the Conference should fail, who could foretell the unhappy consequences that might ensue? But I for one refuse even to contemplate the thought of failure. The Conference has an unexampled opportunity before it. I am confident that that opportunity will not be wasted. The guests to-night, if I understand them, are determined to act in the spirit of their hosts. They are determined to show the spirit of generous good understanding for which the Pilgrims work. They are determined to strive after that wide vision and courageous sanity which Lord Grey has always shown. It is in this spirit that the Conference will act, and it is for that reason that I am confident of its success. (Cheers.) Nothing could so well repay the hospitality of to-night as that success. Friendship betweeu our own and other countries is a cardinal issue to all good Pilgrims. It is their charter, the foundation of the edifice which they have helped to raise. In Lord Grey you have indeed a Master Mason of this pious foundation, and the stones that he has added have indeed been well and truly laid. (Cheers.)

BRITAIN AND FRANCE

LORD GREY, responding, said:—

There are two countries here to-night of which I made no special mention in the speech I have already made. Those two countries are Great Britain and France. I should like to say to the representatives of France that I shall never forget and shall always recall with affectionate recollection the loyal cooperation and friendship that there were between this country and France in times that were dangerous and difficult. (Cheers.) I do not wish that old order of things to come back. We are in a better order of things, and I congratulate Mr. Henderson that he is at the Foreign Office with the world under better auspices than it was before the War. I trust that the friendship which existed in the old days between France and Great Britain will still subsist and join them in cooperation in a better and newer order of things. (Cheers.)

As regards Great Britain I have already expressed my feelings of the services which through the Prime Minister and the Secretary for Foreign Affairs Great Britain has been rendering to the cause of peace. I believe that the whole country is behind the policy they have adopted, without distinction of party, and as far as we are concerned we shall endeavour to make it clear in this country that in that cooperation for the cause of peace the Government of the day, whatever it may be, has the whole country behind it. It is a real satisfaction for me to be able to say to-day that as regards the present Government we fully appreciate the work they have done and can support them not merely in order that foreign policy may not be a party question, but because we really feel the value of the work they have already done. (Cheers.)

Among those present were:—

Mr. H. L. Stimson (leader of the American delegation), Mr. MacDonald, M. Tardieu (leader of the French delegation), Mr. Wakatsuki (leader of the Japanese delegation), the American, French, Italian, and Japanese Ambassadors, Archbishop Lord Davidson, Mr. Wedgwood Benn, Mr. J. L. Ralston (Canadian delegation), Mr. J. E. Fenton (Australia), the High Commissioners of India, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and the Irish Free State, Mr. Charles F. Adams, Senator Robinson, M. Leygues, Mr. A. V. Alexander, Admiral Takarabe, Admiral Sirisani, Mr. Matsuzo Nagai, Admiral of the Fleet Baron Acton, M. René Massigli, Mr. Dwight Morrow, Senator Reed, Lord Midleton, M. H. Noyaset, Mr. Hugh Gibson, Admiral of the Fleet Sir Charles Madden, Mr. C. G. Ammon, M.P., Sir J. Sandeman Allen, M.P., Lord Astor, Mr. John Balderston, Sir Montague Barlow, Sir John Beale, Sir Frank Beauchamp, Mr. F. Lamont Belin, Sir A. Shirley Benn, Sir Ernest Bean, Mr. A. F. Brandt, Sir Harry Brittain, Mr. Robert L. Buell, Colonel Charles Burnett, Sir John Cadman, Mr. Raymond B. Cox, Lord Dawson of Penn, Mr. J. K. Davis, Mr. N. P. Davis, Mr. Henry Dawes, Mr. E. A. de Pass, Mr. J. A. de Rothschild, M.P., Lord Exmouth, Lord Patrick of Cameron, Sir John Ferguson, M.P., Vice-Admiral Sir William Fisher, Captain W. W. Galbraith, Sir Auckland Geddes, Sir William Goode, Mr. F. W. Goodenough, Mr. George A. Gordon, Mr. Charmed Graff, Lord Greenway, Lord Greenwood, Vice-Admiral V. H. S. Haggard, Mr. George Hall, M.P., Sir John Hanbury-Williams, Sir Maurice Hankey, Commander E. T. Hanson, Sir George Hastings, Sir John Henry, Rear-Admiral A. J. Hepburn, Admiral Sir Michael Hodges, Lord Howe, Sir Murray Hyslop, Rear-Admiral Hilary P. Jones, Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Kerr, Mr. David Key, Admiral Sir Roger Keyes, Mr. George Lambert, Lord Lamington, Sir W. Arbuthnot Lane, Sir Thomas Latham, Lieutenant-Colonel Percy Laurie, Sir James Leigh-Wood, Mr. William C. Lesh, Sir Percy Mackinnon, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, M.P., Colonel C. W. W. McLean, Sir Ian Macpherson, M.P., Sir Stanley Machin, Mr. J. Theodore Marriner, Sir William Max Muller, Colonel F. H. Minshall, Rear-Admiral William A. Moffett, Sir Newton Moore, M.P., Vice-Admiral W. R. Napier, Sir Frank Newnes, Admiral Sir William Pakenham, Mr. A. Wilson Page, Lieutenant-Colonel Woodbine Parish, Mr. L. B. Pearson, Admiral William V. Pratt, Mr. Walter Prendergast, Rear-Admiral J. R. P. Pringle, Mr. Rodney Prizer, Mr. Alec L. Rea, Mr. William J. Rooter, Sir Ernest Rowey, Mr. George Rublee, Sir Felix Schuster, Mr. Jesse Silverman, Sir Hewitt Skinner, Mr. L. G. Sloan, Captain W. W. Smyth, Sir Newton Stabb, Sir Campbell Stuart, Sir Kynaston Studd, Mr. J. Wilson Taylor, the Persian Minister, Mr. Joseph Temperley, Mr. Lawrence Tweedy, Captain A. H. Van Keuren, Lieutenant-Colonel G. P. Vanier, Sir Robert Vansittart, Lord Wakefield, Sir Ronald Waterhouse, Colonel A. E. Webb-Johnson, Sir Archibald Weigall, Colonel A. M. Wesson, Captain J. Bell White, Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, Mr. Hugo R. Wilson, Sir Leslie Wilson, Lord Winborne, the Dean of Windsor, Mr. J. Evelyn Wrench, Mr. Herman Klein, and Rear-Admiral H. E. Yarnell.

CANCELLED ORDERS FOR BRITISH CRUISERS

U.S. SENATOR'S UNBELIEF

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

WASHINGTON, JAN. 28

In the Senate to-day Mr. McKellar (Democrat, Tennessee) asked Mr. Robinson and Mr. Reed—the two Senatorial members of the United States Delegation to the London Naval Conference—to "see to it that the delegation is not misled by such claptrap and such balderdash" as the announcement that the British Admiralty had cancelled the orders for the building of the cruisers Surrey and Northumberland.

Mr. McKellar's attack on the "misleading" announcement arose out of a proposal by Senator Bingham (Connecticut) on the subject of official inquiries into the causes and circumstances of aeroplane accidents. Convinced that Senator Bingham was "trying to bluff the public," Senator McKellar recalled in rapid succession other instances in which the public had been, was being, or was about to be bluffed. Moving from aeroplane accidents to the question of the Boulder dam, and thence to the Washington Treaty and the London Naval Conference, he denounced the Admiralty's action with regard to the Surrey and Northumberland as a move which had no significance, except, apparently, as an attempt to bluff the American people into supposing that British naval strength had been reduced.

AMERICAN AIMS AT THE CONFERENCE

MR. STIMSON'S BROADCAST ADDRESS

In an address broadcast last evening to the peoples of the United States and Great Britain, Mr. Stimson, chairman of the American delegation to the Naval Conference, said:—

We have come over here to try to negotiate a treaty between the United States, Great Britain, France, Italy, and Japan by which each of these nations will limit and reduce its Navy. We believe that this will accomplish two great purposes. First, that it will put an end to the ill-will, suspicion, and fear that inevitably are aroused by competition in naval building, and, secondly, that it will reduce the cost of our navies and thus relieve the taxpayers of each country from some of the burdens that rest upon them. We believe that we can do both of these things and yet at the same time add to the security of our country. For there are times when less navy and more good will in the world will give greater security than more navy and less good will; and we think that this is one of those times.

The reaction from the Great War is still with us. As with individuals, so with nations, the periods of wisdom follow the periods of trial. The pressure of public opinion arising out of the sorrows of the Great War has made possible several great constructive international agreements in the last six years. Perhaps the greatest of these was the one which was promulgated in Washington last July—the Pact of Paris, sometimes called the Briand-Kellogg Pact—by which virtually all the nations of the world renounced war as an instrument of national policy, and agreed in the future to settle their differences only by pacific means. In America, we believed that when we signed that Pact we meant what we said. We should give the credit of equal sincerity to the other nations who signed with us. In the light of all these circumstances, we here of the American delegation believe that this is a time when the limitation and reduction of navies should be possible.

AMERICAN SACRIFICES

A few days ago Mr. MacDonald, the Prime Minister of Great Britain, told you over the radio of the sacrifices which Great Britain has already made and the steps which she has already taken to accomplish the reduction in her naval armament. America also has already shown her attitude in this cause by similar sacrifices and similar steps. Eight years ago, when she called the first Disarmament Conference in Washington, she was engaged in building a fleet of battleships larger and more powerful than those of any other nation in the world. Fifteen of such capital ships were already in the course of construction, and over 330 millions of dollars had been spent on their construction. In order to stop naval competition and to put an end to the consequent rivalry, suspicion, and fear between the nations which would grow out of such competition, America destroyed all these new ships, together with 13 older battleships in her possession, and signed the Washington Treaty with Great Britain, France, Italy, and Japan. This treaty has put an end to all competition in battleships from that day to this between these nations.

More than this, and with the special purpose of reassuring Japan, America at the same time agreed to stop all work on her naval bases in the Orient and to leave them unfinished and unprotected. Nothing could have shown better her confidence in Japan. Nothing could have shown more clearly that, instead of regarding that great country as a menace to herself, she regarded her as a friend and as a stabilizing influence in the Far East which would make for peace in that troubled portion of the world. The subsequent events have shown that America was right. Japan has responded most cordially to this action and the relations between Japan and America have become more friendly and mutually confident than ever before.

Coupled with the Four-Power Pacific Treaty by which America, Great Britain, France, and Japan agreed to respect each other's possessions in the Western Pacific, and to consult together if ever any controversies arise between them as to those possessions, this action of America and these other countries in the Pacific has produced a feeling of security in that neighbourhood which even the great civil wars on the mainland in China have been unable to disturb.

So far as our future relations with Great Britain are concerned, we believe that the most effective way for us to create and maintain the good will between us which we both seek is by agreeing with Great Britain to an equal limit upon the total strength of our navies. The Washington Treaty of 1922, to which I have just referred, created parity between us as to our battleships and aeroplane carriers. We now seek to extend that parity to all the rest of our respective fleets, a policy with which I am glad to say Great Britain is in entire accord. Parity between Great Britain and America is not a doctrine of naval rivalry; rather is it a slogan of mutual confidence as well as a means of mutual disarmament. We in America know that so long as we have a Navy equal in power and efficiency to Britain's Navy, with only such minor differences as the differing problems of the two nations make necessary, America has a Navy adequate for its national defence. Furthermore, we know that so long as parity is maintained we can safely reduce our Navy down as far as Great Britain will reduce her Navy. Instead of producing rivalry it removes it. Instead of arousing apprehension it ensures confidence and creates a standard by which both Navies can be reduced in safety. Mr. MacDonald's announcement in Washington last October, that Great Britain agreed to this policy of naval parity with America, did more to relieve the feeling of anxiety and irritation which had followed the failure of the Naval Conference in Geneva in 1927 than any other single event.

We are also interested in the limitation of the Navies of France and Italy. For although we have no immediate interest in the Mediterranean, where these countries border on each other, it is nevertheless a fact that every great navy in the world influences every other navy.

REDUCTIONS HOPED FOR

This being the general situation which confronts us, and these being the public purposes and motives which actuate us, we are trying to accomplish the following results. In the first place, we hope to make an agreement with the other foreign nations represented here which will put an end to competition between them in cruisers and destroyers. These vessels are not now covered by any agreement. In the second place, we should like to abolish submarines. If we cannot abolish them we want to reduce their number as much as possible, and at the same time to make an agreement which will prevent their being used against merchant vessels in the ruthless and inhuman way in which submarines were used in the late War.

Then we want to reduce the battleship programmes below the programmes which were provided in the Washington Treaty.

It is the present competition in respect of cruisers, destroyers, and submarines which has caused the chief anxiety and irritation during recent years. An agreement as to them would be the greatest contribution to international good will, and for some countries would also provide economy. For us the chief economy would lie in the reduction of the battleship programme. For, unless that programme is reduced, we shall be faced with an expenditure of $300,000,000 (£60,000,000) on battleships alone in the next six years, and in the next six years thereafter a further $300,000,000.

These are the problems which the American Delegation has before it and on which all of the Delegations are hard at work. . . . We know the other Delegations and they know us far better than when we landed here 10 days ago. We know their problems and their points of view with an intimacy that was impossible before.

Let me add one little word of caution. Some 400 newspaper reporters and representatives are gathered here in London to report this Conference, and hardly a day passes but some excited reporter comes to me with a rumour of some crisis that he has heard of which is going to wreck the Conference. I have no doubt that some stories of these alleged crises have got into the newspapers of America. Crises make good news—much better news than mere reports of good progress. I can only tell you that thus far every rumour of such a crisis which has come to my ear has been quite unfounded. No such crises have in fact occurred.

I therefore recommend that you be not troubled by reports of crises unless they are confirmed by us. We intend to make this Conference a success and we think we can do so. Our own Delegation is a unit in energy, good will, and determination to accomplish such a result, and everything that we have seen points to a similar state of mind on the part of our colleagues from the other countries.

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PROGRAMMES

The broadcasting programmes for to-day, January 29, are as follows:—

LONDON—Call 2LO (842kc.) (356.3m.), and DAVENTRY—Call 5XX (193kc.) (1,554.4m.).

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10.15 a.m.:—Service. **10.30:**—Time Signal from Greenwich; Weather. **10.45:**—A Woman's Commentary, by Mrs. Oliver Strachey. **11-12** (**5XX** only):—Gramophone Records. **11-11.30** (**2LO** only):—Experimental Television Transmission by the Baird Process. **12:**—Edern Jones (baritone); Harry Pell (cornet). **12.30:**—Gramophone Records. **1-2:**—Orchestra, from Frascati's Restaurant. **2.30:**—For the Schools—Nature Study for Town and Country Schools (2): Winter Buds of Common Trees, by Miss C. Von Wyss. **2.55:**—Interlude. **3:**—Stories and Story-telling in Prose and Verse (2): Chaucer (the Knight's Tale), by Miss Marjorie Barber. **3.25:**—The Hetty Bolton Trio; Soffi Schonning (soprano). **4.45:**—Organ Music. **5.15:**—Children—Down South! Negro Songs and Melodies, by Genial Jemima; the Further Adventures of Brer Rabbit, told by Ethel Malden. **6:**—Ministry of Agriculture Fortnightly Bulletin. **6.15:**—Weather; News. **6.35:**—The Haig Memorial Homes, by Dr. Archibald Fleming. **6.40:**—Old Italian Violoncello Sonatas, played by Ivor James. **7-7.20:**—Our Export Trade, by Mr. G. M. Gillett. **7.25-7.45:**—Links in the Chain of Life (2): The Earthworm, from Glasgow. **7.50:**—La Bohème, an opera in four acts, by Giuseppe Giacosa and Luigi Illica; music by Puccini, founded on the novel, La Vie de Bohème, by Henri Murger (English version of Acts I. and II. by William Grish and Percy Pinkerton, and Acts III. and IV. by Percy Pinkerton); with Tudor Davies, Franklyn Kelsey, Sydney Russell, Luella Paikin, Tom Purvis, Cuthbert Reaveley, William Anderson, Evelyn Hanson, Stanley Riley; the Wireless Chorus (Chorus Master, Stanford Robinson); the Wireless Symphony Orchestra (Leader, S. Kneale Kelley), conducted by Percy Pitt; narrator, Filson Young; relayed from the Parlophone Studio. **9:**—Weather; News; Local News. Shipping Forecast, Stock Exchange Summary, and Fat Stock Prices (**5XX** only). **9.20:**—La Bohème, Acts III. and IV. **10.30:**—The end of the Sicilian Expedition, from Hobbes's translation of Thucydides, read by Mr. Ronald Watkins. **11-12:**—Band from the Café de Paris.

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12:—Bach Recital, by Walter S. Vale; Eva Distin (soprano), relayed from All Saints, Margaret-street. **1:**—Gramophone Records. **1.30-3:**—The Birmingham Studio Orchestra, conducted by Frank Cantell; Seymour Dossor (tenor); Norris Stanley (violin). **5.15:**—Children: Puppy Dog Tales—The Pekingese, by Margaret Madeley; Songs by Cuthbert Ford (baritone); East of the Suez Canal, a travel talk by Frances Pearman. **6:**—Eye-witness account of Fourth Round Replayed Cup-Tie, The Arsenal v. Birmingham, by Mr. G. F. Allison. **6.15:**—Weather; News. **6.40:**—The Birmingham Studio Augmented Orchestra (Leader, Frank Cantell), conducted by Joseph Lewis; Herbert Simmonds (baritone); Tom Bromley (pianoforte). **8:**—German Language Talk, by Mr. Otto Siepmann. **8.30:**—Jean Paul and Leonie Lascelles in light songs and harmony; Leonard Henry; Syncopated Pianisms, by Jack Venables; Vera Ashe and Partner present The Brute, a sketch, by F. Morton Howard; Pauline and Diana in an Instrumental Act; Sutherland Felce (raconteur). Dance Music. **9.45:**—A Pianoforte Recital, by Harold Craxton. **10.15-10.30:**—Weather; News.

ABERDEEN—Call 2BD (995kc.) (301.5m.).
10.15-10.30 a.m.:—See London. 2.40:—See Glasgow. 3:—See Glasgow. 3.30:—See Glasgow. 4.45:—See Glasgow. 6:—Mr. George E. Greenhowe: Horticulture. 6.15:—See London. 7.25:—See Glasgow. 7.50:—See London. 9.15:—See Glasgow. 9.20-11:—See London.

BELFAST—Call 2BE (1,238kc.) (242.3m.).
10.15-10.30 a.m.:—See London. 12:—Organ Music. 12.30-1:—The Radio Quartet. 2.30-3.25:—See London. 3.30:—The Orchestra; Elsie McCullough (soprano); Mark Hemingway (trumpet). 5:—Stop Press. 5.15:—Children. 6:—See London. 7.15:—See London. 9.25:—See Glasgow. 7.50-11:—See London.

BOURNEMOUTH—Call 6BM (1040kc.) (288.5m.).
10.15-10.30 a.m.:—See London. 12-1:—See London. 2.30:—See London. 6.15:—See London. 7.25:—See Glasgow. 7.50:—See London. 9.15:—Local News. 9.20-11:—See London.

CARDIFF—Call 5WA (968kc.) (309.9m.).
10.15-10.30 a.m.:—See London. 1.15-2:—The National Orchestra of Wales, relayed from the National Museum of Wales. 2.30:—See London. 3.25:—The Station Trio; Frank Thomas (violin), Ronald Harding (violoncello), Hubert Pengelly (pianoforte); Maude Folland (soprano); Beryl Tichbon (pianoforte). 4.45:—See London. 5.15:—Children. 6:—See London. 6.15:—See London. 7.25:—Professor Graham Kerr: Links in the Chain of Life—2, the Earthworm, from Glasgow. 7.50:—See London. 9.15:—West Regional News. 9.20-11:—See London.

DUBLIN—Call 2RN (413m.), 1kw.
1.30:—Time, Weather, Exchange Quotations, and Gramophone Concert. 6:—Gramophone Records. 6.15:—Children. 7:—Talk for Women. 7.20:—News. 7.30:—Time and Irish Lesson. 7.45:—German Language Lesson. 8:—Civic Guard Band. 9:—Concert—Operatic Vocal Selections: Mary O'Hea and Company in a Dramatic Sketch; the Station Orchestra. 10.30:—Time, News, and Weather.

DUNDEE—Call 2DE (1,040kc.) (288.5m.).
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10.15-10.30:—See London. 2.40:—See Glasgow. 3:—See Glasgow. 3.25:—See London. 5.15:—See Glasgow. 6.15:—See London. 7.25:—See Glasgow. 7.50:—See London. 9.15:—See Glasgow. 9.20-11:—See London.

GLASGOW—Call 5SC (752kc.) (398.9m.).
10.15-10.30:—See London. 2.40:—For the Schools—Mr. R. L. Mackie, The Men of Old: Figures from Scotland's Past—3, King James the First, from Edinburgh. 3:—The Necklace, by Guy de Maupassant, adapted for broadcasting and produced by Percival Steeds. 3.25:—Music. 3.30:—The Octet, from Glasgow; Alec Sim (violin), Edith Royan (soprano), from Aberdeen. 4.45:—Orchestra. 5.15:—Children. 5.57:—Weather for Farmers. 6:—Mr. Dudley V. Howells—Topical Gardening Notes. 6.15:—See London. 7.25:—Professor Graham Kerr, Links in the Chain of Life—2, the Earthworm. 7.50:—See London. 9.15:—Scottish News Bulletin. 9.20-11:—See London.

MANCHESTER—Call 2ZY (797kc.) (376.4m.).
10.15-10.30:—See London. 2.30:—See London. 3.25:—The Northern Wireless Orchestra, Charles Ashworth (tenor), from Manchester; John Carey (entertainer), from Leeds. 5.15:—Children. 6:—See London. 6.15:—See London. 7.25:—Professor Graham Kerr, Links in the Chain of Life—2, the Earthworm, from Glasgow. 7.50:—See London. 9.15:—North Regional News. 9.20:—See London. 10.30-11:—Herman and Mrs. Van Dyk (duets on two pianofortes).

PLYMOUTH—Call 5PY (1,040kc.) (288.5m.).
10.15-10.30:—See London. 2.30:—See London. 5.15:—Children. 6:—See London. 6.15:—See London. 7.25:—See Glasgow. 7.50-11:—See London.

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FOREIGN STATIONS.

Note.—Hours of transmission are Greenwich Mean Time. Hours are p.m. unless otherwise stated.

BARCELONA (Radio Barcelona)—Call EAJ1 (349m.), 8kw.—6:—International Market Prices, Exchange Quotations, Trio Selections, News in the Interval. 8.30:—Elementary French Lesson. 9:—Chimes, Weather, and Exchange Quotations. 9.5:—Orchestral Selections. 9.45:—Reading. 10:—News. 10.5:—Concert by a Mandoline Orchestra, followed by Barcelona Exhibition Notes.

BELGRADE (429m.), 2.5kw.—6.30:—French Lesson. 7:—Vocal and Pianoforte Selections. 7.40:—Quartet Concert of Operetta Music. 8.40:—News and Time. 8.50:—Serum, Comedy in One Act. 9.10:—Dance Music.

BERLIN (Koenigswusterhausen) (1,635m.), 26kw.—3.30:—See Hamburg. 4.30:—Recital of Ballads. 5:—Talk. 5.30:—Elementary Spanish Lesson. 5.55:—Talks. 7:—Orchestral Concert—Ballet Suite from Dardanus (Rameau); Scheherazade, for Soprano and Orchestra (Ravel). 8.5:—See Hamburg. 8.30:—Talk, followed by News and Dance Music from Berlin (Witzleben).

BERLIN (Witzleben) (418m.), 4kw.—4.30:—Recital of Songs. 5:—Reading. 5.30:—Concert. 6:—Talk. 6.30:—Topical Programme. 7:—See Hamburg. 8.10:—Hotel Stadt Lemberg, The Second and Third Acts (Gilbert), from the Theater des Westens. After the Programme, Time, Weather, News, Sports Notes, and Dance Music.

BERNE (403m.), 1.5kw.—6.28:—Time and Weather. 6.30:—Talk. 7:—Baritone Song Recital. 7.30:—Partial Relay of a Concert by a Russian Orchestra. 9:—News and Weather. 9.15:—Orchestral Concert.

BRESLAU (325m.), 8kw., and GLEIWITZ (253m.).—5.45:—Weather for Agriculturists. 5.47:—Orchestral Concert—Academic Festival Overture (Brahms); Suite, Jeux d'enfants (Bizet). 6.30:—Weather. 6.32:—Topical Talk. 7:—The Seasons, Oratorio (Haydn), relayed from the Large Concert Hall, Breslau. 9.10:—News. 9.30:—Talk. 9.50:—Answers to Correspondents on Wireless Legal Questions.

BRUNN (342m.), 2.4kw.—6:—See Prague. 9.15:—News and Theatre Review.

BRUSSELS (508.5m.), 1kw.—5:—Trio Concert. 6:—Talks. 6.30:—Gramophone Concert. 7.30:—Le Journal Parlé. 8.15:—Orchestral Concert—Selection from Der Opernball (Heuberger); Suite Saharienne (Ackermans); Romance (Tchaikovsky); Spanish Waltz (Popy). 9.15:—Gramophone Records. 10.15:—News.

BUDAPEST (550m.), 20k.—6.30:—Blue and Red—One Act Play (Zagon, after a Story by Ferenc Herczeg). 7.40:—Pianoforte Recital by Imre Stefaniai, followed by Concert by the Jancsi Rigo Tzigane Orchestra from the Café Emke.

COPENHAGEN (281m.), 1kw., and KALUNDBORG (1,153m.), 7kw. 5.50:—Weather and News. 6.15:—Time Signal. 6.30:—Debate. 7.30:—Concert of Classical Operetta Music: March from Giroflé-Girofla (Lecocq); Overture, La Belle Hélène (Offenbach); Indigo Waltz from A Thousand and One Nights (Joh. Strauss); Marine Polka from Marinen Liebchen; Ballet Music from Les Brigands (Offenbach). 8.45:—News. 9:—Chamber Music Concert: String Quartet No. 5 in E flat major (V. Dittersdorf); String Quartet, op. 61, in C major (Dvorák).

CRACOW (313m.), 1kw.—6.10:—Agricultural Report. 6.25:—Talk. 6.58:—Time Signal. 7:—Chimes from Notre Dame, Cracow. 7.15:—Evening Concert. 9.10:—Talks and News relayed from Warsaw (1,411m.). 10:—Concert of Light Music. 11:—Chimes from Notre Dame.

FRANKFURT (390m.), 3kw., and CASSEL (246m.).—3:—See Stuttgart. 5.5:—Talk. 5.35:—See Stuttgart. 6.30:—Symphony Concert, relayed from the Saalbau; Concerto in A minor for Pianoforte and Orchestra (Schumann); Selections from A Midsummer Night's Dream (Mendelssohn). 8.5:—See Stuttgart. 9.30:—News.

HAMBURG—Call ha (in Morse) (372m.), 3kw., and BREMEN (319m.); FLENSBURG (218m.); HANOVER (560m.); KIEL (246m.). 3.30:—Concert from the Works of Contemporary Composers. 4.30:—Reading. 4.55:—Variety Programme. 5.40:—Talks. 6.50:—Exchange and Weather. 7:—Concert of March Music from Many Lands. 9.20:—Talks; News; Weather; Sports, and Miscellaneous Notices. 9.40:—Concert from the Café Wallhof.

HILVERSUM (1,875m.), 6.5kw.—9.40 a.m.:—Time and Daily Service. 11.40:—Police Announcements. 11.55:—Radio-Quartet Concert. 1.40:—Concert by the Children's Choir conducted by Jacob Hamel. 2.40:—Talk. 3.40:—Study Music for the Pianoforte with Introductory Talk. 4.40:—Talk. 5.10:—Radio-Quartet Concert. 6.25:—Italian Language Lessons. 7.25:—Police Announcements. 7.40:—Time Signal. 7.41:—A Play. In the Interval: Weather and News. After the Play, Gramophone Records.

HUIZEN (298m.), 5kw. After 5.40 p.m. on 1,071m. 7.55 a.m.:—Concert. 10.10:—Programme for Hospitals. 10.40:—Gramophone Records. 11.10:—Organ Recital. 12.10:—Vocal and Instrumental Concert. 1.40:—Vocal and Instrumental Concert. 2.25:—Reading. 2.55:—Vocal and Instrumental Concert. 3.55:—Gramophone Records. 4.40:—Children. 5.40:—Gramophone Records. 6.10:—Exchange Quotations. 6.20:—Technical Lesson. 7.50:—Concert by the Arnhem Orchestra. 8.35:—Recitations. 9:—Concert; Overture, The Magic Flute (Mozart). Songs—(a) An die Musik (Schubert); (b) Auf dem Kirchhof (Brahms); (c) Weyla's Gesang (Hugo Wolf); (d) Dem Unendlichen (Schubert); Les Préludes (Liszt). 10:—News. 10.10:—Recitations.

LAHTI (1,800m.), 40kw., and HELSINGFORS (221m.). 5.45:—Operetta Selections. 6.15:—Sports Notes. 6.35:—Vocal Selections. 7:—Dance Music. 7.45:—News in Finnish and Swedish.

LANGENBERG (473m.), 15kw., and AIX-LA-CHAPELLE (453m.), COLOGNE (227m.), MUNSTER (234m.).—4.30:—Vocal and Instrumental Concert. 5.30:—Talk. 5.50:—Topical Talk. 6:—Economic Report, Weather, and Sports Notes. 6.15:—Talk for Workers. 6.40:—Talk. 7:—Robert Koppel Concert, followed by News, Sports and Miscellaneous Notices and Concert from the Café Corso, Dortmund.

LEIPZIG (259m.), 3kw., and DRESDEN (319m.).—3.30:—Orchestral Concert. 4.30:—Debate. 4.55:—Economic Report. 5.5:—Saxon Labour Market Report. 5.20:—Weather and Time. 5.30:—Italian Language Lesson. 5.55:—Labour Intelligence. 6:—Talk. 6.30:—Concert of Waltzes. 7.30:—Reading. 8:—Concert from the Works of Kurt Striegler. 9.15:—Time, Weather, News, Sports Notes, and Dance Music.

MADRID (Union Radio)—Call EAJ 7 (424m.), 3kw. 7:—Chimes, Exchange Quotations, and Dance Music. 8.25:—News. 10:—Chimes, Time, Exchange Quotations, and Orchestral Concert, relayed from the Hotel Nacional, followed by News and Dance Music.

MILAN—Call I MI (501m.), 7kw.—7.30:—Time Signal. 7.32:—Madame Butterfly, opera (Puccini), with Introductory Talk. In the intervals: Science Talk and Topical Talk. 10.30:—News. After the programme: Concert.

MUNICH (533m.), 1.5kw., and AUGSBURG (560m.), KAISERSLAUTERN (270m.), NUREMBERG (239m.).—3.55:—Children. 5.15:—Talk. 5.45:—Concert—Suite for Violin and Pianoforte, op. 11 (Goldmark); Kleine Sonata, op. 103b (Reger). 6.15:—Talks. 7:—Variety Programme. 9.20:—News, followed by Dance Music.

NAPLES—Call 1NA (331.4m.), 1.5kw.—7.30:—Sports Notes, News, Government Report, Announcements, and Harbour Notes. 8:—Time Signal. 8.2:—Le Campane di S. Lucio, comedy in three acts (Forzano). Sports Notes in the interval. 9.50:—News, Calendar, and Programme Announcements.

OSLO (493m.), 60kw., and FREDRIKSSTAD (385m.), HAMAR (570m.), NOTODDEN (445m.), PORSGRUND (453m.), RJUKAN (445m.).—5.40:—French Language Lesson. 6.15:—Weather and News. 6.30:—Talk. 7:—Time Signal. 7.2:—Orchestral Concert—Selections (Bach-Salabert)—(a) Prelude, (b) Fugue; Selections (Gluck-Mottl)—(a) Air from Iphigenia in Aulis, (b) Selection from Orpheus, (c) Musette from Armidea, (d) Air from Iphigenia in Aulis, (e) Sicilienne from Armidea; Romance from the Fourth Symphony (Schumann); Rhapsody No. 1 (Liszt); Spanish Caprice (Rimsky-Korsakoff). 8:—Talk. 8.30:—Weather and News. 8.50:—Topical Talk. 9.5:—Cabaret Concert. 9.45:—Gramophone Dance Records.

PARIS (Eiffel Tower)—Call FL (1,445m.), 12kw.—7.56 a.m.:—Time Signal (32.5m.). 5.45:—Le Journal Parlé. 7.10:—Meteorological Report. 7.20:—Concert.

PARIS (Radio Paris)—Call CFR (1,725m.), 12kw.—12.30:—Gramophone Concert. In the intervals at 1:—Exchange Quotations and News; and at 1.30:—Exchange Quotations. 2:—Exchange; Market Prices. 3.30:—Exchange Quotations. 3.45:—Concert—Orchestral Selection, The Merrymakers (Eric Coates); 'Cello Solos—(a) Sarabande and (b) Forlane (Mouret), (c) Minuet (Mozart); Orchestral Selection, Extrême Orient (de la Presle-Chapelier); Pianoforte Solo, Allegro appassionato (Saint-Saëns); Orchestral Selection, Pavane (Barlow); Poème for Violin (Sachs); Orchestral Selection, Pastels d'enfants (Brun). 4.55:—News and Exchange Quotations. 6:—Agricultural Report and Racing Results. 6.30:—New York Exchange Rates. 6.35:—Gramophone Records. 7.5:—Talk. 7.20:—Gramophone Records. 7.30:—Elementary German Lesson. 7.45:—Commercial Prices, Economic and Social Notes, and Amusement Guide. 8:—L'Arlésienne (Daudet, Music by Bizet). In the intervals at 8.30:—Closing Prices of the American Markets and Sports Review; and at 9.15:—Press Review, News, and Time Signal.

PRAGUE (487m.), 5kw.—6:—The Invincibles—Opera, in Four Acts (Foerster) relayed from the National Theatre. 9:—Time, News, Sports Notes, Theatre Review, Programme and Miscellaneous Announcements.

ROME—Call 1RO (441m.), 50kw.—7.15:—News, Sports Notes, Announcements, Exchange and Weather. 8:—Time Signal. 8.2:—Vocal and Instrumental Concert. News after the Programme.

STOCKHOLM—Call SASA (436m.), 1.5kw., and MOTALA (1,348m.), 30kw.; BODEN (1,200m.); GOTEBORG (322m.); HORBY (257m.); OSTERSUND (770m.); SUNDSVALL (542m.).—5.40:—Agricultural Talk. 6:—Talk. 6.30:—Choral Concert—Two Ballads for Mixed Choir and Piano (Rheinberger); Narcissus, for Soloist, Choir and Piano (Massenet). 7:—Cyrano de Bergerac—Drama (Rostand). In the interval at 8.15:—News and Weather. 9.10:—Orchestral Concert of Light Music.

STUTTGART (360m.), 3kw., and FREIBURG (570m.).—3:—Orchestral Concert. 4.45:—Time, Weather, and Agricultural Notes. 5.5:—Talk. 5.35:—Lesson in Esperanto. 6:—Time Signal. 6.5:—Talks. 6.30:—See Frankfurt. 8.5:—From Karlsruhe: Introduction to the following Transmission. 8.15:—Louise—Fourth and Fifth Acts of the Opera (Charpentier), relayed from Bad Landestheater, Karlsruhe. 9.30:—News from Frankfurt. 9.40:—Programme Announcements.

TOULOUSE (Radiophonie du Midi) (381m.), 8kw.—6:—Dance Music. 6.15:—Transmission of Pictures. 6.25:—Talk on French History. 6.35:—Dance Music. 6.50:—Exchange Quotations. 7:—Music. 7.15:—News. 7.30:—Music. 8:—Exchange Quotations. 8.15:—Transmission of Pictures. 8.25:—Concert. 9:—Orchestral Selections, relayed from the Crystal Palace. In the interval—North African News.

TURIN—Call 1 TO (291m.), 7kw.—7.30:—Time Signal. 7.32:—Programme from Milan. In the interval at 10.30:—News.

VIENNA (516.3m.), 15kw., and GRAZ (352.5m.); INNSBRUCK (283.5m.); KLAGENFURT (453.7m.), and LINZ (245.9m.).—5.45:—Esperanto Propaganda for Austria. 6:—Talk. 6.30:—Reading. 7:—Time and Weather. 7.5:—Cabaret Programme. 8.5:—Perpetuum Mobile—Variety Programme. Prelude, Oh, these Women! followed by The Hat—Wireless Farce in One Act (Gonday Gontko Milos); Entr'acte, Oh, these Lawyers, followed by A Lucrative Law-suit—Scene (Ladislaus Bekeffy); Orchestral Concert after the Programme; Overture, Orpheus in the Underworld (Offenbach); Scenes from La belle Hélène (Offenbach); Overture, Prince Methusaleh (Joh. Strauss); Lagunen-Walzer (Joh. Strauss).

OTHER FOREIGN STATIONS

The following stations will also broadcast varied programmes beginning at the times stated:—

KATOWICE (408.7m.), 10kw.—10.58 a.m.
KONIGSBERG (276m.), 3kw.—5.30 a.m.
LAUSANNE—Call HB2 (680m.), 1.5kw.—6.45 a.m.
LYONS (Radio Lyon) (286m.), 1.5kw.—12 (noon).
PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Call KDKA (306m.), 25kw.—1.30 p.m.—Programme relayed at intervals on 63 and 25m. from 11 p.m.
SCHENECTADY, N.Y.—Call WGY (379.5m.), 30kw.—11.45 a.m. Relayed by 2XAD on 19.56m. from 11 p.m.
WARSAW (1,411m.), 10kw.—10.58 a.m.
ZAGREB (307m.), 0.7kw.—11.30 a.m.
ZURICH (459m.), 0.63kw.—10 a.m.

BEAM WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY

SERVICE BETWEEN ENGLAND AND JAPAN

The beam wireless telegraph system between England and Japan has been completed and opened for the service of the public. Since the establishment of the system for communication with different parts of the British Empire it has gradually been extended throughout the world. A direct beam wireless service from England to Japan was opened last year by Imperial and International Communications, Limited; communication both ways has now been made possible by the completion of the Japanese Wireless Telegraph Company's station at Yokkaichi. The transmitting station in England is at Dorchester, and the receiving station at Somerton, near Yeovil.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments were made by the Admiralty yesterday:—

Lieut.-Commrs.—R. C. Wield and C. J. Carr, to Vernon (Feb. 3 and 13 respectively); and R. Oliver-Bellasis, to Vernon (Feb. 10) and to Royal Sovereign (March 10).

Lieuts.—E. R. Gibson, to S/M H 48; and C. J. Firth, to S/M H 23 (Feb. 22).

Sign.-Lieut.—W. J. Veerhault, to Victory, for Signal School (Feb. 10).

Paymr.-Commr.—A. S. Whyham, to Victory, for Accountant Officers' Technical Course (Feb. 11).

Cd. Gunners (T.).—L. E. Baxter, to Concord (Feb. 6); M. McCarthy, to Caledon (Feb. 13); H. Hewitt, to Skate (Feb. 14); A. F. Jackson, to Champion (Feb. 17); and B. Melbourne, to Sandhurst (Feb. 19).

Gunners (T.).—H. C. Hird, to Volunteer; and J. E. Duffy, to Rowena (Feb. 3).

Cd. Engnr.—C. S. Goddard, to Vectis (Jan. 28).

Royal Naval Reserve

Commr.—A. R. D. Collins, O.B.E., R.D., to Victory, for Senior Officers' Technical Course (Feb. 2).

Lieut.—J. J. Miller, to Victory (Feb. 8), to Defiance (March 1), to Vivid (March 15), and to Ramillies, to complete training (April 12).

Sub-Lieuts.—S. A. Jones, promoted to Lieut., seny. (Dec. 23, 1929); S. T. Whiteside and L. M. Carter, to Douglas (Jan. 31); A. T. Douglas, to Dolphin (Feb. 15); and P. L. S. Baxendale and G. F. Cole, to Dolphin.

Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve

Sub-Lieut.—R. Scott-Miller, promoted to Lieut. (seny. Jan. 5).

MOVEMENTS OF SHIPS

Astrakos, Jan. 27.—Whitehall left for Patras.
Dartmouth, Jan. 27.—Forres left for Portland.
Hankow, Jan. 27.—Bee arrived.
Hong-Kong, Jan. 26.—Marazion left on patrol. Jan. 27.—Bruce arrived; Magnolia left for Wusung; Cornflower left for Wei-hai-Wei; and Thracian left on patrol.
Kiukiang, Jan. 26.—Bee left for Hankow.
Malta, Jan. 27.—Caledon left; and Centurion and Shikari arrived.
Nanking, Jan. 26.—Sepoy arrived; and Sandwich left for Shanghai.
Portland, Jan. 27.—Forres arrived.
Portsmouth, Jan. 26.—Iron Duke and Indian Summer arrived.
Shanghai, Jan. 27.—Sandwich arrived.

NAVAL OFFICERS' COURSES

The long Navigation and Torpedo Courses will begin on April 7 and May 1 respectively. Officers selected to undergo these courses are as follows:—

Navigation Course.—Lieutenants J. R. E. Langworthy, J. W. R. Thompson, G. A. H. Pratt, L. K. A. Block, J. Mornement, E. M. Penton, E. H. Dyke, A. H. Attfield, R. Birch, and R. B. Honnywill.

Torpedo Course.—Lieutenants V. D'A. Donaldson, T. A. K. Maunsell, C. R. J. Carstairs, and W. O. Bradbury.

A qualifying course for physical and recreational training instructors will begin at the P.R.T. School, Portsmouth, on March 10.

LONDON GAZETTE

TUESDAY, JAN. 28

ADMIRALTY, JAN. 23

R.N.

Sub-Lieuts. to be Lieuts. with seniority stated:—C. W. McMullen, H. G. Dymott (June 1, 1929); R. C. Harrison (Dec. 1, 1929).

Sub-Lieuts. to be Lieuts.:—H. Menzies, J. F. Parker, L. H. Stileman, W. H. Farrington (Jan. 16).

Cd. Telegraphist S. Lewington to be Telegraphist Lieut. (Jan. 10); Cd. Sig. Bosn. W. J. Veerhault to be Sig. Lieut. (Jan. 15); Lieut.-Comdr. J. B. Falls placed on Retd. List at own request (Jan. 21).

JANUARY 24

R.N.

Paymr. Capt. H. S. Measham, C.M.G., placed on Retd. List with rank of Paymr. Rear-Admiral (Jan. 24); Paymr. Lieut. G. C. G. Marell to be Paymr. Lieut.-Comdr. (Jan. 15); Paymr. Lieut.-Comdr. A. N. Eversley-Green placed on Retd. List (Jan. 9); Cd. Instr. in Cookery H. H. Curtis to be Lieut. Instr. in Cookery (Jan. 20).

JANUARY 25

R.N.

Engr. Lieut.-Comdr. S. J. Brading placed on Retd. List (Jan. 25); Cd. Eng. H. M. Pope placed on Retd. List with rank of Lieut. (E.) (Jan. 10).

R.N.R.

Sub-Lieut. H. G. Boys-Smith to be Lt. with seny. of Nov. 17, 1929.

JANUARY 27

R.N.

Cd. Gnr. G. E. Wilson placed on Retd. List with rank of Lieut. (Jan. 27); Lieut.-Comdr. (Retd.) C. H. Varley, D.S.C. to be Comdr. (Retd.) (Jan. 27).

Shore Signal Service

Chief Offr. A. W. Anderson placed on Retd. List with rank of Lieut. (Jan. 26).

WAR OFFICE, JAN. 28

REGULAR ARMY

COMMANDS AND STAFF

The follg. relinquish their appts.:—Col. S. A. Innes, D.S.O., Offr. i/c. Inf. Record and Pay Office, Perth (Jan. 1); Maj. H. A. J. Parsons, M.C., R. Signals, G.S.O., 2nd Grade, War Office (Jan. 21); Maj. R. M. Watson, D.S.O., Lan. Fus., G.S.O., 2nd Grade, N. Ireland Dist. (Jan. 23); Capt. R. S. D. Stuart, Gloster R., Adjt. (attd. to Gen. Staff), Birmingham and Bristol O.T.C. (Jan. 21).

The following appts. are made:—Maj. A. R. F. Lucas, M.C., R.A., Res. of Off., to be A.D.C. to the Govr. and C.-in-C. of the Uganda Protectorate (Nov. 1, 1929); Maj. C. T. Baynham, D.S.O., M.C., R.A., to be Maj. Instr. in Gunn., China (Jan. 12); Maj. R. G. W. H. Stone, D.S.O., M.C., R.E., to be G.S.O., 2nd Grade, War Office (Jan. 21); Maj. J. A. Campbell, D.S.O., Suffolk R., to be G.S.O., 2nd Grade, N. Ireland Dist. (Jan. 23); Capt. J. C. Phillippo, D.C.L.I., to be Adjt. (attd. to Gen. Staff), Birmingham and Bristol O.T.C. (Jan. 21).

CAVALRY

The following Sec. Lts. to be Lts. (Jan. 29):—
R.H.G.—R. E. Laycock, R. C. G. Cotterell.
K.D.G.—R. F. Luck.
5th Innis. D.G.—F. J. S. Whetstone.
The Royals.—A. M. Barne.
3rd H.—Sir D. W. Scott, Bt.
9th L.—Hon. A. F. Phillimore, G. H. F. P. Vere-Laurie.
11th H.—P. M. Wiggin.
15th/19th H.—J. Watson.

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY

Lt.-Col. J. U. Hope, D.S.O., on completion of four years' serv. as a Regtl. Lt.-Col., is placed on the h.p. list (Jan. 29), retaining his present appt.

The following Majs. retire on ret. pay:—A. G. Bates, D.S.O., M.C. (Jan. 26); A. Veitch (Jan. 28).

Maj. C. A. Eeles, D.S.O., is restd. to the estabt. (Nov. 4, 1929); Capt. N. Skentelbery is secd. while holding the appt. of Asst. Range Table Offr., Ord. Committee (Jan. 1).

The following Capts. to be Majs.:—C. de C. Hamilton (Jan. 26); Bt. Maj. H. R. Kilner, M.C. (Jan. 28), and remains secd.

M. R. Orr-Ewing, M.C. (Jan. 28).

Capt. R. Ratcliffe, D.C.M., is restd. to the estabt. (Dec. 23, 1929).

The following Capts are restd. to the estabt. (Jan. 21):—L. G. R. F. H. Bell, M.C., G. St. J. A. Dyson, M.C., R. Crane, C. G. Radcliffe, M.C., T. M. Brotherton, W. E. Pearson, J. W. Nelson, M.C.

Lt. T. F. Hardy, M.C., is secd. for serv. with the T.A. (Dec. 18, 1929) Lt. R. F. Leigh retires, receiving a gratuity (Dec. 31, 1929), and is granted the rank of Capt.

The follg. 2nd Lts. to be Lts. (Jan. 29):—P. F. Shakerley, A. Galletti, W. D. Hardy, H. C. Bazeley, C. P. Collingwood, J. C. H. Mead, A. R. J. Villiers, A. E. G. Walker, J. H. Hooper, H. B. M. Wright, P. J. Howarth, G. P. W. Dunphie, T. E. Hussey, R. Biddulph, H. E. Massy, N. A. D. Steer, R. D. C. Johnstone, J. A. L. Schreiber, W. A. Ferguson-Davie, L. H. O. Pugh, H. King Lewis, R. L. D. Weber, J. McL. W. Titley, W. Kaye, N. M. Colson.

CORPS OF ROYAL ENGINEERS

Capt. (actg. Maj.) D. R. Bennett, O.B.E., relinquishes his temp. commn. (Dec. 17, 1929), and is granted the rank of Lt.-Col.

The follg. 2nd Lts. to be Lts. (Jan. 29):—M. C. Perceval, I. W. B. Edge, R. E. Lloyd, M. P. R. Sloot, C. V. Griffin, S. H. M. Battye, A. G. H. Brousson, M. D. Maclagan.

ROYAL CORPS OF SIGNALS

Capt. J. N. A. Harris, Ind. Army, ceases to be secd. with the R. Signals (Sept. 30, 1929). (Substituted for the notification in the *Gazette* of Dec. 3, 1929.)

The follg. 2nd Lts. to be Lts. (Jan. 29):—E. C. Drewe, R. G. Muir, J. S. Usher, D. L. Hyde, W. G. Tucker, E. J. F. Heap, L. T. Shawcross, L. C. C. Harrison, C. P. S. Denholm-Young.

FOOT GUARDS

The follg. 2nd Lts. to be Lts.:—
C. G'ds.—E. FitzH. P. Gage (Jan. 3); H. M. A. Sanford (Jan. 29).
I. G'ds.—H. C. McGildowny (Jan. 29); C. R. McCausland (Jan. 29).

INFANTRY

R. Scots.—The follg. Lts. to be Capts. (Jan. 4):—F. K. Wyllie-Rodger, with precedence next below Capt. A. G. Syme, M.M., and remains secd.; J. B. McCance.
The Queen's R.—Sec. Lt. J. B. H. Kealy to be Lt. (Jan. 29).
R. Fus.—Sec. Lt. S. Vickers to be Lt. (Jan. 29).
Lincoln R.—Capt. B. Middleton is restd. to the estabt. (Jan. 5).
W. York R.—Sec. Lt. L. B. Phillips to be Lt. (Jan. 29).
E. York R.—Sec. Lt. P. U. Coates to be Lt. (Jan. 29).
Beds. and Herts. R.—Sec. Lt. A. H. C. T. P. Houchin is secd. for serv. with the R.A.S.C. (Jan. 1).
The follg. Sec. Lts. to be Lts. (Jan. 29):—
Lan. Fus.—P. G. Bamford.
Cheshire R.—D. J. P. Weld.
R.W. Fus.—R. F. A. David, H. de B. Prichard.
S. Wales Bord.—C. N. B. Rose.
K.O.S.B.—R. Caulfeild.
Gloster R.—R. S. L. O'Connell.
E. Lan. R.—B. J. Landrock.
E. Surrey R.—Maj. E. G. H. Clarke, M.C., retires on ret. pay (Jan. 27).
The follg. Sec. Lts. to be Lts. (Jan. 29):—D. J. McLeay.
D.C.L.I.—R. B. F. K. Goldsmith.
Hampshire R.—A. Boyce.
Dorset R.—L. J. Wood, G. L. D. Allison.
R.W.K.—J. W. Brown, R. H. Molony, R. M. J. Roche.
K.O.Y.L.I.—St. L. Morris.
K.R.R.C.—F. H. W. Barnett.
Manch. R.—A. Provan.
N. Stafford R.—The follg. Lts. to be Capts. (Dec. 10, 1929):—H. N. Charrington and remains secd., R. Lacey and remains secd., J. O. Doyle.
Durham L.I.—The follg. Sec. Lts. to be Lts. (Jan. 29):—F. Murphy, J. R. Cousens.
A. and S.H.—Capt. E. P. Buchanan, M.C., is secd. for serv. as an Adjt., T.A. (Jan. 21); Lt. A. J. Chrystal to be Capt. (Jan. 21).
The follg. 2nd Lts. to be Lts. (Jan. 29):—O. B. Younger, D. Drummond-Hay, R. M. Keith-Murray.
Rifle Bde.—Lt. E. N. Perceval-Maxwell is restd. to the estabt. (Dec. 13, 1929); 2nd Lt. the Visct. Garmoyle to be Lt. (Jan. 29).

ROYAL ARMY SERVICE CORPS

Lt.-Col. C. H. Coventry, on completion of four years serv. as a Regtl. Lt.-Col., is placed on the h.p. list (Jan. 27); Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. J. E. McGwire, C.B.E., to be Lt.-Col. (Jan. 27); Capt. W. D. Lawson, O.B.E., to be Maj. (Jan. 1).

The follg. 2nd Lts to be Lts. (Jan. 29):—G. A. Bond, H. H. M. Cuthbert, F. Richards, P. J. L. W. Lane, A. J. F. Kingsmill, G. A. S. McClellan.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

Lt.-Col. F. E. Roberts, D.S.O., O.B.E., retires on ret. pay on account of ill-health (Jan. 18); Maj. T. Parr, M.B., from the secd. list is restd. to the estabt. (Jan. 9); Capt. D. F. Panton to be Maj. (Jan. 29).

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE

Matron Miss M. Clements, R.R.C., retires on ret. pay (Jan. 27).

ESTABLISHMENTS

The follg. relinquish their appts.:—Bt. Lt.-Col. H. O. Curtis, D.S.O., M.C., K.R.R.C., G.S.O., 2nd Grade, Staff Coll. and the local rank of Lt.-Col. (Jan. 21); Bt. Lt.-Col. R. N. O'Connor, D.S.O., M.C., Cameronians, G.S.O., 2nd Grade, Staff Coll. (Jan. 21); Bt. Lt.-Col. H. R. Pownall, D.S.O., M.C., R.A., G.S.O., 2nd Grade, Staff Coll. and the temp. rank of Lt.-Col. (Jan. 21); Bt. Lt.-Col. E. L. Morris, O.B.E., M.C., R.E., G.S.O., 2nd Grade, Staff Coll. and the local rank of Lt.-Col. (Jan. 21); Capt. V. J. E. Westropp, R. Signals, Offr. of a Co. of Gentlemen Cadets, R. Mil. Academy (Jan. 17); Capt. R. T. Cooke, R.A.S.C., Instr., Sch. of Instn., R.A.S.C. Trg. Coll. (Jan. 21).

The follg. appts. are made:—Bt. Lt.-Col. H. B. D. Willcox, D.S.O., M.C., E. Lan. R., to be G.S.O., 2nd Grade, Staff Coll. (Jan. 21). Bt. Lt.-Col. F. V. B. Witts, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., R.E., to be G.S.O., 2nd Grade Staff Coll. (Jan. 21). Maj. E. C. A. Schreiber, D.S.O., R.A., to be G.S.O., 2nd Grade, Staff Coll., and is granted the local rank of Lt.-Col. (Jan. 21). Maj. J. A. H. Gammell, D.S.O., M.C., Camerons, to be G.S.O., 2nd Grade, Staff Coll., and is granted the local rank of Lt.-Col. (Jan. 21). Capt. M. S. Wheatley, R. Signals, to be Offr. of a Co. of Gentlemen Cadets, R. Mil. Academy (Jan. 17). Capt. H. M. Whitty, R.A.S.C., to be Instr., Sch. of Instn., R.A.S.C. Trg. Coll. (Jan. 21). Maj. D. J. McMullen, D.S.O., R.E., to be Instr. (Cl. Z), Rly. Trg. Centre, R.E. (Jan. 1).

MEMORANDA

Capt. L. P. Payne-Gallwey, M.C., 7th H., is granted the local rank of Maj., whilst empld. with the K. Afr. Rif. (Dec. 17, 1929). Capt. A. C. Duff, M.C., R.E., relinquishes the appt. of Instr. (Cl. FF), R.A.F. Sch. of Photography (Jan. 1). Lt. R. Clayton, R.E., is apptd. Instr. (Cl. FF), R.A.F. Sch. of Photography, and is granted the local rank of Capt. (Jan. 1).

Capt. W. F. Hill (late temp. Capt., H.L.I.), on conviction by the Civil Power, is deprived of the rank of Capt. (Dec. 9, 1929). Lt. S. Thomas (late temp. Lt., Lab. Corps), on conviction by the Civil Power, is deprived of the rank of Lt. (Dec. 19, 1929).

C. W. Coles, M.M. (late temp. Sec. Lt., R.E.), is granted the rank of Sec. Lt. on discharge from the ranks, Army Res. (Nov. 21, 1929).

GENERAL LIST

S. G. Watson is granted a temp. commn. in the rank of Lt., whilst empld. as a Dental Surg. (Jan. 6).

REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

REGIMENTAL LIST

Royal Regiment of Artillery

The follg. Majs. (ret. pay) to be Majs.:—A. G. Bates, D.S.O., M.C. (Jan. 26), with seniority Sept. 24, 1926; A. Veitch (Jan. 28), with seniority Oct. 8, 1922. Capt. R. F. Leigh (Lt., ret.), to be Capt. (Dec. 31, 1929), with seniority Dec. 15, 1928.

Royal Engineers

Lt.-Col. D. R. Bennett, O.B.E., late R.E., to be Lt.-Col. (Dec. 17, 1929), with seniority Oct. 10, 1927.

Royal Army Ordnance Corps

Col. R. H. McVittie C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E. (ret. pay), to be Col. (July 28, 1929), with seniority March 16, 1917. (Substituted for the notification in the *Gazette* of July 30, 1929.)

SUPPLEMENTARY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

Royal Engineers

Lt. R. W. T. Griffiths, from T.A., to be Lt. (Jan. 29); Lt. J. A. Dodsworth ceases to belong to the Res. (Nov. 14, 1929), and retains the rank of Lt.

Royal Corps of Signals

Sec. Lt. H. A. Ashdowne to be Lt. (Dec. 25, 1929).

Infantry

Norfolk R.—L. D. Gates to be Sec. Lt. (Jan. 29).

TERRITORIAL ARMY

COMMANDS AND STAFF

Maj. G. E. W. Franklyn, D.S.O., M.C., R.A., relinquishes the appt. of G.S.O., 2nd Grade, 56th (1st Lond.) Div. (Jan. 17).

The follg. appts. are made (Jan. 17):—Bt. Maj. G. H. B. De Chair, O.B.E., M.C., R. Sussex R., from Staff Capt., to be G.S.O., 2nd Grade, 56th (1st Lond.) Div.; Bt. Maj. W. J. Jervois, M.C., North'n R., to be Staff Capt., 47th (2nd Lond.) Div.

HONOURABLE ARTILLERY COMPANY

Infantry.—Lt.-Col. M. G. Douglas, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., T.D., retires and retains his rank, with permission to wear the prescribed uniform (Jan. 29).

ROYAL ARTILLERY

57th (Home Counties) Fd. Bde.—E. H. Maynard (late Cadet, Christ's Hosp. Contgt., Jun. Div., O.T.C.) to be Sec. Lt. (Jan. 29).

59th (Home Counties) Fd. Bde.—Sec. Lt. E. P. S. Collier to be Lt. (Jan. 26).

72nd (Northumbrian) Fd. Bde.—Maj. W. E. Walker to be Lt.-Col. (Oct. 28, 1929); Capt. W. A. Swale, M.C., to be Maj. (Oct. 28, 1929); Lt. F. A. Johnson to be Capt. (Oct. 28, 1929).

98th (Surrey and Sussex Yeo.) Fd. Bde.—Sec. Lt. J. Elice to be Lt. (Jan. 24).

Suffolk Heavy Bde.—Sec. Lt. A. J. E. Cook to be Lt. (Jan. 26); G. F. Clover (late Cadet, Felsted Sch. Contgt., Jun. Div., O.T.C.) to be Sec. Lt. (Jan. 29).

ROYAL ENGINEERS

43rd (Wessex) Divl. Engrs.—Sec. Lt. R. R. Caws to be Lt. (July 1, 1929).

INFANTRY

6th Bn. R. War. R.—Capt. J. Walker, M.C., resigns his commn. and retains his rank (Jan. 1).
7th Bn. R. War. R.—Lt.-Col. W. N. Bushill, M.C., T.D., to be Bt. Col. (Jan. 26).
5th Bn. R.W.K.—Lt. J. H. E. Winston to be Capt. (Dec. 25, 1929).
9th Bn. Manch. R.—Lt.-Col. G. W. Handforth, T.D., to be Bt. Col. (Jan. 28).
Hallamshire Bn., Y. and L.R.—Capt. E. Lucas, M.C., resigns his commn. and retains his rank, with permission to wear the prescribed uniform (Jan. 7).
6th Bn. Durham L.I.—Sec. Lt. J. G. Perry, M.C., to be Lt. (Jan. 26).
5th/7th Bn., Gordons.—Sec. Lt. G. W. Bruce to be Lt. (Jan. 26).
4th Bn., Camerons.—Sec. Lt. W. A. Macleay to be Lt. (Jan. 18).
7th Bn., A. and S.H.—Capt. E. P. Buchanan, M.C., A. and S.H., to be Adjt. (Jan. 21).
1st C. of Lond. R.—Maj. C. Dalton, M.C., K.S.L.I., vacates the appt. of Adjt. (Dec. 22, 1929).

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

General List.—Capt. L. H. Taylor, M.B., to be Maj. (Nov. 5, 1929); Lt. H. E. Harding to be Capt. (Jan. 16); Lt. W. H. Roberts resigns his commn. (Jan. 29).

GENERAL LIST

Officers Training Corps

St. Edward's Sch. Contgt., Jun. Div.—Maj. A. Macnamara ceases to serve with the Contgt. (Jan. 15).

University Candidates

L. J. F. A. Batchelor to be Sec. Lt. (Jan. 27).

TERRITORIAL ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

REGIMENTAL LIST

Yeomanry

N. Somerset.—Capt. A. W. Phipps, having attained the age limit, relinquishes his commn. and retains his rank (Jan. 29).

Royal Artillery

57th (Home Counties) Fd. Bde.—Lt. V. E. H. Cox, from Active List, to be Lt. (Jan. 29).

E. Riding Heavy Bde.—Maj. A. Pudsey, T.D., having attained the age limit, retires and retains his rank, with permission to wear the prescribed uniform (Jan. 29).

Suffolk Heavy Bde.—Sec. Lt. F. B. Smith, from Active List, to be Sec. Lt. (Jan. 29).

Infantry

4th Bn., R. Berks R.—Lt. (Qrmr.) J. Payne, having attained the age limit, relinquishes his commn. and retains his rank (Jan. 28).

3rd C. of Lond. R.—Lt. S. Lakeman resigns his commn. and retains his rank (Jan. 29).

MEMORANDUM

Sec. Lt. A. J. Talbot, late 4th Bn. R. Berks R., on enlistment into the ranks, relinquishes the rank of Sec. Lt. which he was permitted to retain in the *Gazette* of Dec. 16, 1921 (Jan. 6).

AIR MINISTRY, JAN. 28

ROYAL AIR FORCE

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

G. Silyn-Roberts is granted a permanent commission as a Pilot Officer with effect from Jan. 11, 1930, and with seniority of Jan. 11, 1929. (Substituted for the notification in the *Gazette* of Jan. 21.)

The follg. are granted temporary commissions as Flying Officers on attachment to the R.A.F. (Jan. 12):—

Lts., R.N.—O. F. L. Bullock, J. D. C. Little, J. H. M. Malcolm, H. Wright.
Sub-Lts., R.N.—G. B. S. Slater, W. G. C. Stokes.
Mate, R.N.—L. E. Ricketts.
Lt., R.M.—W. S. North.

The follg. are granted temporary commissions as Flying Officers on being seconded for duty with the R.A.F. (Jan. 14):—Lt. N. H. Thompson, Sherwood Foresters; Sec. Lt. T. W. Walker, Royal Tank Corps.

Pilot Officer on probation R. F. Williams, is confirmed in rank (Dec. 21, 1929).

The follg. Pilot Officers are promoted to the rank of Flying Officer (Dec. 29, 1929):—J. M. Israel, J. H. Brown, R. L. Bennet, G. W. J. Jarrett, R. C. W. Ellison, R. J. Clare Hunt.

Squadron Leader D. Colyer, D.F.C., is seconded for duty with the Latvian Government (Jan. 1); Squadron Leader C. L. Scott, D.S.C., is seconded for duty with the British Advisory Staff in Chile (Jan. 15); Wing Commander W. G. P. Young, O.B.E., is placed on the retired list (Jan. 25); Flying Officer R. W. Pilling resigns his short service commission (Jan. 21).

MEDICAL BRANCH

W. J. Cumming, M.B., Ch.B., is granted a short service commission as a Flying Officer for a period of three years on the active list with effect from and with seniority of Jan. 13; Lt. M. J. Pigott (General List, Army, Dental Surgeon) is granted a temporary commission as a Flying Officer (Dental) on attachment to the R.A.F. (Jan. 9); Flight Lt. M. J. O'Reilly, L.D.S. (Capt., Army Dental Corps) relinquishes his temporary commission on return to Army duty (Jan. 9).

MEMORANDUM

Maj. E. G. H. Clarke, M.C., East Surrey Regt. (formerly seconded R.A.F.), is permitted to retain the rank of Lt.-Col. on retirement from the Army (Jan. 27).

RESERVE OF AIR FORCE OFFICERS

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

The follg. Pilot Officers are promoted to the rank of Flying Officer:—G. D. Emms, E. J. B. Langhorne, S. M. Thompson, T. D. Trouncer (Jan. 23); G. G. W. Farquharson (Jan. 24).

The follg. Flying Officers are transferred from Class A to Class C:—D. G. R. Lord (Jan. 25); C. W. Switzer (Jan. 10).

AUXILIARY AIR FORCE

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

No. 603 City of Edinburgh (Bomber) Squadron.—Flying Officer W. O. E. Winkler resigns his commission (Dec. 9, 1929).

NAVAL, MILITARY, AND AIR FORCE

RESERVE FLEET CRUISERS

The cruiser Calliope, which has just been transferred from the Nore Reserve to Portsmouth, is ordered to become overflow ship to the Constance, flagship of the Vice-Admiral Commanding Reserve Fleet, on January 31. She takes over the duties hitherto performed by the Dartmouth, which has gone to Devonport, pending paying off for preparation for laying up in a care and maintenance status. There are now three cruisers in reserve at Devonport, the Capetown, Carysfort, and Dartmouth; two at Portsmouth, the Constance and Calliope; and three at the Nore, the Cleopatra, Cambrian, and Vindictive. Others are out of commission under repair. It is from the eight reserve cruisers that ships are taken as required to convey reliefs to foreign stations, but owing to the increased size of the vessels now in the East Indies and China it is necessary to bring each of the latter home in turn for refit and recommissioning. The cruisers in reserve are only able to take out, as a rule, new crews for destroyers, gunboats, and other small craft.

FOURTH FLOTILLA COMMAND

Captain H. Hext Rogers, M.V.O., O.B.E., has been selected to command the Fourth Destroyer Flotilla, Mediterranean Fleet, of which H.M.S. Broke is the flotilla leader. He will succeed Captain B. C. Watson, D.S.O., who was appointed in May, 1928. Captain Rogers, who was 46 in October, and has been in the Navy since 1896, was first lieutenant-commander of the battleship Vanguard when the War broke out. He was promoted Commander in 1916, and afterwards served in H.M.S. Birmingham, for which he was appointed O.B.E. In 1919-21 he was in the battle-cruiser Renown, and was appointed M.V.O. on the conclusion of the Prince of Wales's tours to Canada and Australasia. In 1921-23 he was executive officer at the R.N. College, Dartmouth, and was promoted to his present rank in June, 1924. In July, 1928, he became the first Captain of the new cruiser London, which he took out to the Mediterranean, where he joined the Frobisher, until the recall of that ship to home waters.

PERSIAN GULF SLOOPS

H.M.S. Triad, the ship of the Senior Officer in the Persian Gulf, Captain Hector Boyes, C.M.G., has left Muscat for Bombay to refit. The sloop Cyclamen, Commander the Hon. W. S. Carson, which is now refitting there, should be out of dockyard hands by February 13. The other two sloops of this Division, the Crocus and Lupin, were last reported at Henjam and Koweit. The Triad, classed as a "special service vessel," was a merchant ship purchased for naval purposes in 1915, and is armed only with one 12-pdr. and four 3-pdr. guns. She served at Gallipoli during the War, and it was from her that Admiral de Robeck dated some of his dispatches.

SOUTH AFRICAN RETIREMENT

Lieutenant-Commander A. H. Stanley, who has been placed on the retired list, was until recently a second-class surveyor in the Protea, the surveying ship of the South African Naval Service. Lieutenant T. M. Goddard has been appointed in the vacancy thus created. Lieutenant-Commander Stanley entered the Royal Navy as a cadet at Osborne in December, 1910, and on the outbreak of War joined the battleship Ocean. He was made midshipman from August, 1914, and sub-lieutenant from July, 1917; and after the Ocean was sunk at the Dardanelles he served in the Exmouth and in the destroyers Staunch and Rattlesnake. In 1928, after being navigator of the surveying ship Kellett, he was lent to the South African Naval Service for two years.

KYBER DEFENCE POSTS

It is announced in India that the Kyber defence posts have been renamed. The Shagi Winding Station becomes the Mackeson Post, and the Shagi Post Station is renamed the Kotal Post. The Shagi Upper Station becomes the Peak Post and the Fort Station takes the name of the Lala China Post.

COMMAND VACANCIES

Several commands fall due for fresh selections in February. On Friday Lieutenant-Colonel Lord Alastair R. Innes-Ker, D.S.O., completes his tenure in command of the Royal Horse Guards at Windsor. On February 10 the 1st Battalion, The Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers at Holywood receives a new officer commanding, and on the following day a change is due in the 1st Battalion, The King's Shropshire Light Infantry at Rawalpindi. On February 26 the command of the 2nd Battalion, The Sherwood Foresters at Karachi falls vacant. The battalion officers to be succeeded are respectively Lieutenant-Colonels R. C. Smythe, C.M.G., D.S.O., B. E. Murray, D.S.O., and R. S. Hart, D.S.O.

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Soap machinery parts.
Pulp mill machinery.
Food preserving pans.
Ammonia and nitric acid plants.
Pyrites resisting parts.
Brewery plant and public house fittings.

Miscellaneous.
Dental and surgical instruments.
Name plates, letter boxes.
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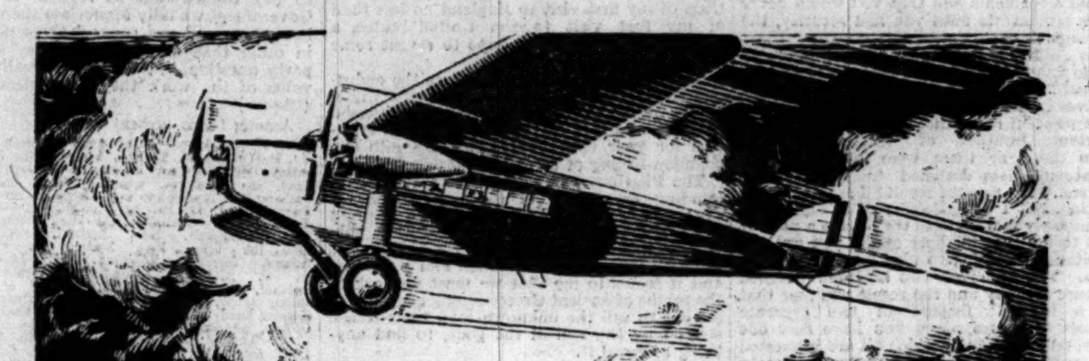

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CITY NOTES

RECOVERY IN INDIA STOCKS

TIN RESTRICTION

The reassuring statement issued by the India Office regarding the position of sterling securities and the policy of the Government in relation thereto had the desired effect, for a sharp recovery occurred yesterday in the prices of Indian securities. Mr. Fenton's statement at the Australia Day dinner had, as was to be expected, a much less stimulating effect upon Australian securities. For the most part Mr. Fenton's statement dealt with matters which have not been called in question. His assurance that the Commonwealth Government is fully alive to the difficulties of the present situation and will "so order its acts as to ensure a return to normal financial and economic conditions as soon as possible" would have had a greater influence had he given examples of the practical application of this policy. Not only is there considerable uneasiness in this country as to the probable effects on British trade of the new Australian tariff, but there are serious doubts whether the higher tariff will not accentuate one of Australia's chief problems—namely, excessive costs of production. Rightly or wrongly, the City feels that the increase in the tariff was designed to avoid those measures of economic readjustment which are regarded here as essential. Prices of Australian securities will not fail to respond to definite evidence that Budget and railway deficits are being replaced by surpluses, that costs of production are being reduced, and that borrowing is being curtailed, so as to give the country the time and opportunity to consolidate her financial position.

The Need of Indian Railway Extensions

In the course of his speech to stockholders in the Bengal and North-Western Railway yesterday Sir Henry Burt expressed regret at the change of policy which had caused a drastic stoppage of programmes of railway construction in India. It was not, he said, only the development of railways which was thereby affected, but that of the country itself, as there was no greater need at present for the economic progress of India than the extension of its railway communications. So far as the Bengal and North-Western system is concerned its development is further arrested by the uncertainty surrounding the question as to the Secretary of State's intention in regard to the possible termination of the company's contract in 1932. The latest date when the Secretary of State has to disclose his intentions as regards acquisition of the railway is December 31 next. The company cannot provide fresh capital on which it may obtain no return, and the chairman urged that in the circumstances the Government's decision should not be delayed until the last moment. Sir Henry Burt made some cogent observations on the unrepresentative character of Indian trades unions and the need for Government to profit by the lessons of other countries where nationalization of railways has allowed labour to exert undue political pressure.

The Bank's Economic Adviser

An announcement is published in another page that the Bank of England is about to lose, to the regret of itself and, it may be added, of many others, the services of Mr. W. W. Stewart, who for the past two years has acted as economic and statistical adviser to the Governors. Mr. Stewart's exceptional knowledge and experience of American banking and economic conditions must have been of invaluable help to the Bank during that period. Fortunately, Dr. O. M. W. Sprague, Professor of Banking and Finance at Harvard University, has consented to take up the work shortly to be relinquished by Mr. Stewart. Dr. Sprague was born in 1873, and started his career as instructor and Assistant Professor of Economics at Harvard, a post which he held down to 1905. He then accepted for three years the appointment of Professor of Economics at the Imperial University, Tokyo, but since 1908 he has been Professor of Banking and Finance at Harvard. He has written a number of books, not[e] a history of crises in the United S[tates] which he prepared as one of the publications preceding the establishment of the Federal Reserve system.

Further Floating Debt Reduction

The Exchequer returns for the week to Saturday last show that revenue amounted to £25,529,910, and exceeded expenditure by £15,506,061. Receipts in respect of the Five per Cent. Conversion Loan amounted to £7,250,000, which, together with the excess of revenue, enabled a reduction of nearly £22,000,000 to be made in the Floating Debt. As the following table shows, maturities of Treasury Bills exceeded sales by £18,785,000, and the Treasury repaid £3,200,000 of the advances on Ways and Means previously obtained from Public Departments:—

(000's omitted)

Floating Debt	Jan. 25, 1930	Jan. 18, 1930	Jan. 26, 1929
	£	£	£
Ways and Means Advances:—			
By Public Departments	34,730	37,930	17,890
Treasury Bills outstanding	738,925	757,710	758,595
Total	773,655	795,640	776,485

Since the beginning of the financial year there has been an increase in the Floating Debt of £36,310,000. The increase since this time last year is only £2,830,000.

Banks and Prospectuses

One of the events of 1929 to be commented on favourably by Mr. A. Allan Paton, chairman of Martin's Bank, at the general meeting of the shareholders yesterday, was the coming into force of the new Companies Act. Offers for sale of foreign company issues, he pointed out, were now governed by the same provisions as British company prospectuses, and he considered the rule that actual profits, as opposed to an average, should be disclosed, a sound one. It was impossible, said Mr. Paton, for a bank to guarantee the general soundness of a prospectus, but Martin's exercised every care before consenting to the use of its name, and had declined in a number of cases to act as bankers to proposed issues. This is right and proper, and it is to be hoped that bankers generally will tend to become more rather than less critical in their examination of prospectuses offered to them. The new issue boom of 1928-29 produced numerous prospectuses of a dubious character, and the application by bankers of more stringent tests to prospectuses would be an additional protection to the investor. Mr. Paton said it would be idle to pretend that trade generally was doing anything more than holding its own, and even this was not applicable to the cotton trade, which as a whole had suffered a further reverse during 1929.

Furnishing Company's First Report

The Hackney Furnishing Company (1928) Limited, which was formed to amalgamate a number of firms doing business on the hire purchase system, has just issued its first report. The company has an issued capital of £446,000 and it shows a trading profit for a period of 13½ months of £51,038, equal to £44,906 for 12 months. While this figure indicates that the company has hardly begun yet to derive those benefits which, according to the prospectus, would result in a substantial expansion of earnings, it is slightly in advance of the rate of profit returned by the 10 businesses in the year preceding the present company's inception. The board, in commenting on the report, state that the period under review was not in any way a normal trading period. A number of new branches were opened, and the bulk of the profits shown in the accounts was made during the last quarter of the year, when the company had practically the full quota of branches planned and these were working substantially on the policy and under the system of control which will obtain in the future. After charging management salaries, directors' fees, interest, &c., the profit is sufficient to provide the fixed Preference dividend down to December last and to leave a balance equal to about 10 per cent. on the issued Ordinary capital. The board, however, have not begun the payment of Ordinary dividends, the surplus being wisely utilized to strengthen the company's working reserves.

Bolivia and Tin Restriction.

The Tin Producers' Association announces that the Patino Tin producing interests in Bolivia have given instructions to their engineers in Bolivia to give effect to the policy of the association—namely, to restrict production. His Excellency Don Simon Patino has accepted the invitation of the council to become the honorary president of the association and to nominate two members to represent his interests on the council. The Aramayo Mines of Bolivia, which are under the management of Guggenheim Brothers, have already announced their adherence to the association and its policy of curtailment. Thus the largest producers in Bolivia, representing upwards of 80 per cent. of the country's output, now support the policy of the association. The Tin Producers' Association also announces that practically all the leading Malayan and Nigerian producers have agreed to accept the council's recommendations. It is easy, of course, to understand the adherence of the less efficient producers, for at present prices they are probably not able to operate except at a loss; the important thing to secure is the adherence of the more efficient producers. The Dutch East Indies Government has issued a statement to the effect that it is agreeable in principle to an eventual restriction of rubber output provided, however, that it is a voluntary operation and of a purely private and non-Governmental character. The Government's insistence on the voluntary character of any rubber restriction scheme does not appear to indicate that the promised statement of the Government's policy in the matter of tin restriction will differ in principle from its attitude towards rubber. The big Dutch producers are very efficient, their costs of production being low.

Life Assurance as a Necessity

An excellent speech on various aspects of life assurance was delivered by Sir William Goschen at the meeting yesterday of the Sun Life Assurance Society. Early in his address Sir William regretted that, unlike some of the things for which businesses and trades provided, life assurance did not appear to be considered by the public as an acknowledged necessity, and "consequently the public had to be sought, and taught that life assurance was a good thing for them, and that they would be wise to possess it in adequate amounts." At the close of the speech he contended that when a man considered his family budget he should not regard his life assurance payments as coming out of surplus, but as one of his necessary expenses. "Cannot afford" was, he declared, the most frequent reply to the suggestions of the society, and part of its business was to educate others, and especially the young family man, to see the intrinsic importance of the subject. Between beginning and ending his address on this note of life assurance as a necessity, Sir William discussed many important questions, such as pension schemes, the rate of interest, expenses and commissions, the investments of the offices, and voluntary thrift. Altogether, at this first meeting of a leading life office this year, Sir William Goschen set a high standard for the spokesmen of other offices to maintain.

Larger Traffic of the Suez Canal

With the publication of the traffic receipts of the Suez Canal Company for December the main results for the year 1929 are now known. The number of ships which passed through the Canal last year was 6,274, as compared with 6,084 in 1928, and the net tonnage of the vessels was 33,466,014, against 31,905,902 in 1928. The total weight of the goods which passed through the Canal was 34,516,000 tons, as compared with 32,622,000 tons in the previous year. The receipts from cargo amounted to 1,100,258,000f., as against 1,070,822,000f. in 1928, and the passenger receipts were also higher at 14,835,000f., against 14,446,000f. in 1928. The total earnings were 1,122,892,000f., which compares with 1,086,454,000f. in 1928. The increase in the traffic and receipts of the Suez Canal Company last year was rather remarkable. In 1928 the traffic was the largest in the history of the company, but in spite of trade depression, this record was exceeded in 1929. Factors which have contributed to the growth of the traffic of the Canal in recent years have included the export of soya beans (which are used for the manufacture of margarine) from the Far East to Europe, while a number of chips which, in the past, proceeded from this country to Australia *via* the Cape of Good Hope have been directed within the last year or two to the Suez route, and notably the vessels of the Commonwealth and Dominion Line and those of the P. and O. Branch Line. The services of these companies have been speeded up for the shorter voyage. Another point in favour of the Suez route is that ships returning from Australia are able to leave Australia with less bunker coal than if they were sailing *via* South Africa. When there is freight available this saving of bunker space may be advantageous, and it should be also a consideration at the present time owing to the trouble in the Australian coalfields.

STOCK EXCHANGE

RISE IN INDIA LOANS

GENERAL TONE STEADY

The principal feature of the Stock Markets yesterday was the recovery that took place in India loans as a consequence of the reassuring statement regarding British policy in India which was published by authority of the Secretary of State. Prices moved within a range of several points, and on balance showed gains of 1½ to 2½. So far as Indian Railway securities are concerned, one outcome of the recent nervousness has been that brokers who for a long time had held orders to buy that they were unable to execute have now been able to fulfil their requirements. The Industrial market was affected by some further scattered selling, believed to be connected with preparations for the Hatry settlement. There were, however, several firm spots, including the Rayon group, Brazilian Traction, and Gaumont British. Mild improvement was shown by Oil shares and Rhodesian copper shares, while the market for Rubber plantation companies' shares was stimulated by a rise in the commodity.

Interest in the gilt-edged market centred in Indian stocks, which opened at a sharp advance on the reply given to a correspondent by the Secretary of State with regard to Government policy. Business took place within a limit of several points, the market not being able suddenly to adjust itself to the situation produced by the official pronouncement. However, on balance, prices show rises of 1½ in the Four-and-a-Half per Cents (82½); 2 in the Two-and-a-Half per Cents (43) and 2½ in the Three per Cents (51½) and Three-and-a-Half per Cents (60½). British Government stocks were steady and practically without change. The remarks of Mr. Fenton at the Australia dinner had a steadying effect upon Commonwealth and Australian State loans, several of which closed fractionally harder. The HOME RAILWAY market suffered from neglect, prices declining to a small extent.

One or two Brazilian loans hardened, including the 1914 Funding, the first series of the 1911 (which rose to 66), and the Coffee bonds, while Peruvian Six per Cents. rose further to 81. Austrian Six per Cents. were higher at 102½, and there was inquiry for Portuguese, Rumanian, and Bulgarian bonds, Bulgarian Seven-and-a-Half per Cents. being 89½. Westphalian Seven per Cents. were better at 98½, and higher prices were quoted for Copenhagen Four per Cents. of 1908 (80) and Danish Municipalities Five per Cents. (96). Peruvian Corporation stocks were lower. SOUTH AMERICAN Railway stocks were steady. Bolivar Railway Debenture stock was marked down sharply to 28-35. The Cordoba Central traffic showed a decrease of £15,000, the aggregate decrease being increased to £240,000. The market is indulging a hope that part at least of this falling off may be arrested in the later months of the current financial year by an increased transport of maize, reports regarding the outlook for this crop being of a satisfactory character. There were active dealings in the new Central Argentine Debenture stock, which opened at ⅛ discount and closed at 7-16 discount.

OIL shares were firm, particularly V.O.C., which advanced to 3 1-16. Shell hardened to 4½, and several others showed small rises, including the Eagle shares.

RUBBER was firmer at 7½d. per lb., and the market leaders made a slight response to this movement. Prices generally were steady. While dealers are expecting next Monday's stocks announcements to be more favourable than those of late, the upward movement is expected to be resumed immediately after. TEA shares were steady.

RHODESIAN SHARES FIRMER

Business in the INDUSTRIAL market remained small, and while the general tone was dull there were a number of exceptions. Turner and Newall fell below 4, while Cables and Wireless stocks declined, together with margarine shares, Kreuger and Toll, Swedish Match, Gramophone, Bleachers, Harrods (B.A.) and Australian land shares. Courtaulds, on the other hand, were a little firmer, together with Snia Viscosa and the Celanese group. Imperial Continental Gas stock rose 10 to 380. There was support for N.C. Metal, which advanced sharply to 5½ and reacted to 4½, and for Zinc Manufacturing, which rose to 8s. 1½d. Gaumont-British shares rallied to 15s. 3d. In the dollar group Brazilian Traction opened with a sharp rise at $40½ and closed at $41½ (a rise of $2½), but the rest of the group showed little change, International Nickel failing to hold a rise to $38. United Molasses declined to 5½.

RHODESIAN shares were firmer under the lead of Congo Border, further good developments having been announced. Congo Border rose ½ to 8½, while Chartered hardened to 40s. 6d., Bwana M'Kubwa to 21s. 9d. and Loangwa to 6s. South African shares were steadier. Brakpan remained at 3 9-16, while Geduld, at 3½, and Sub Nigel, at 1 27-32, were firmer. Tin rose £1 16s. 3d. per ton, and the share market was a little firmer, London Tin being 1 9-16. Rio Tinto and Tharsis were lower, the latter being 5. Broken Hill shares were dull.

CANADIAN BANK FORGERIES

WARNING TO THE PUBLIC

The Bank of Montreal, London, desires to warn bankers and financial agents that a gang of forgers, operating in South America, are using spurious forms of the Mexico City branches of the Bank of Montreal and Canadian Bank of Commerce. The draft forms relating to the Bank of Montreal, which are probably drawn upon the New York Agency, bear cleverly forged signatures of Messrs. Jos. H. Vigneau and J. Pardo, two of their officers at Mexico City, and, accompanied by spurious advice forms bearing similar forged signatures, are usually forwarded to European banks as cover for drafts, purporting to be drawn upon them by the Bank of Montreal, Mexico City, which also are forgeries.

WESTMINSTER CITY PROPERTIES

In a further circular to shareholders of Westminster City Properties, Limited, Lord Verulam, Mr. W. Henderson-Cleland, Mr. F. W. Cruttenden, and Mr. J. T. Horn state that they have received proxies for 256,428 votes out of a possible 349,995. At a meeting between them and Sir George Manners and Mr. A. H. B. Ponsonby (the then existing directors) on January 21, it was agreed that they should join the board to facilitate the investigation asked for in the requisition to the directors, and it is added that as soon as possible, but not later than the receipt and consideration of the figures for the March quarter, a circular will be issued to shareholders reporting the results of the investigations and their recommendations thereon.

STOCK EXCHANGE VALUES

The monthly valuation of 365 representative Stock Exchange securities by the *Bankers' Magazine* shows that in the period to January 17 last the aggregate value of the securities increased by £39,471,000, or 0.5 per cent. The 87 fixed interest stocks included in the valuation appreciated by £44,789,000, or 1.1 per cent., mainly owing to a rise of 1 per cent. in 10 British and Indian funds. The 278 variable dividend securities declined on balance by £5,318,000, or 0.2 per cent. The index number of security values (December, 1921 = 100) shows an advance on the month from 121.0 to 121.7. A year ago the index number was 129.6.

ARGENTINE GRAIN OPTIONS

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 28.—WHEAT closed steady and 5c. dearer. MAIZE closed steady at 5c. decline. LINSEED closed steady and 5c. down.

CLOSING PRICES		To-day	Prev. close
Buenos Aires—			
Wheat,	February delivery	10.70	10.65
,,	March delivery	10.80	10.75
Maize,	February delivery	6.35	6.40
,,	May delivery	6.45	6.50
Oats,	February delivery	5.30	5.30
Linseed,	February delivery	19.00	19.05
,,	March delivery	19.05	19.10
,,	May delivery	19.35	19.40
Rosario—			
Wheat, No. 2,	February delivery	10.80	10.90
Maize,	February delivery	6.25	6.30
Linseed,	February delivery	18.95	19.00

Prices in paper currency per 100 kilos, delivery Buenos Aires. Peso = about 1s. 7½d.)

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

LESS CONFIDENT TONE

STEEL CORPORATION EARNINGS

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The market had a reactionary trend to-day, and although trading continued fairly active, sellers predominated. Sales were returned at 3,348,000 shares.

The opening was barely steady. The fact that industrial stock averages yesterday reached a new high level in the recovery, representing a gain of 15 points on the week induced a good deal of profit-taking and encouraged professional selling for a reaction. But the market showed resistance to the efforts to force a decline, and became firm afterwards on the ready absorption of offerings and the resumption of "bull" support, notably for amusement issues and copper stocks. Trading slackened and fluctuations became narrow, cautionary advices sent out by brokerage houses in anticipation of a technical set-back tending to restrict further bullish operations.

Interest during the greater part of the afternoon was confined to a few special stocks, most of which were strong, including Fox Film, owing to an oversold position; Columbian Carbon and Union Carbide and Carbon were firm features, and there was a renewed rise in Advance Rumley stock on reports that the merger negotiations with the Allis-Chalmers Company had been revived. The market otherwise was quiet until the last hour, when most stocks gave way under scattered realizing, the close being barely steady.

EXCHANGE	Method of Quoting	Parity	Jan. 28	Jan. 27
		$	$	$
MONTREAL on—				
London, cables	£1	4.86⅔	4.91 13/16	4.91¾
NEW YORK on—				
London, sight	£1	—	4.86 15/16	4.86⅛
Cables	£1	4.86⅔	4.86 7/16	4.86½
60 days' sight	£1	—	4.82	4.82 1/16
Grain bills, sight	£1	—	4.86	4.86 1/16
Seven days	£1	—	4.85	4.85 1/16
Paris, short sight	100f.	3.91¾	3.92¾	3.92¾
Rome, cables	100l.	5.26	5.25⅞	5.23⅝
Amsterdam, short sight	100fl.	40.20	40.12	40.11½
Oslo, cables	100kr.	26.80	26.72	26.72
Stockholm, cables	100kr.	26.80	26.85	26.85
Copenh'g'n, cables	100kr.	26.80	26.75½	26.75½
Prague, cheques	100kr.	—	2.96	2.96
Berlin, short sight	100mk.	23.80	23.89½	23.89¼
Brussels, cables	100bel.	13.90	13.93	13.93
Berne, cables	100f.	19.30	19.32	19.32
Madrid, cables	100ps.	19.30	12.89	12.90
Vienna, cables	100sch.	14.07	14.08	14.08
Budapest, cables	100pen	17.49	17.49¼	17.49⅛
Belgrade, cables	100din.	19.30	1.76½	1.76½
Athens, cables	100dr.	1.30	1.30	1.30
		Cents	Cents	Cents
B. Aires	1 peso	42.54	40.18	40.18
Rio, cables	1 mil.	32.45	11.35	11.35

RAILWAYS

	Closing Prices Jan. 28	Jan. 27
Atchison	234	234¼
Atl. Coast	169	169
B. & O.	115½	117
Do., Pref.	79	81
Brooklyn Manh. T.	68½	68½
Can. Pac.	198⅝	198
Cent. N.J.	290	288
Ches. & O.	213½	215
Ch. G.W.	14¾	14¾
Do., Pref.	38	38
Ch. N.W.	85¼	86⅝
Ch.Mil.St.P.	24½	24¾
Ch.Rock Is.	117¼	117⅝
Del. & Hud.	171	170½
Del., Lack.	134	137
Erie	57⅞	58
Do.,1st Pf.	61⅜	62½
G.N., Pref.	96¼	97½
Ill. Cent.	128½	129
Interboro' Rapid Tr.	27¼	24¾

INDUSTRIALS

Air Reduct.	119	121⅝
AlliedChem	270	270
Am. Agric. Ch., Pref.	30	32½
Am. & F. Pwr.	91¼	93½
Am. Can.	127	128½
Am. Loco.	100	100
Am.Rolling Mills	88	88¼
Am. Smelt.	73½	72⅞
Am.Sug. R.	62¼	61⅞
Am. Tel.	222¼	224
Am. Tob.	218	221
Am.Wool'n	10½	10
Anaconda	74⅜	73¼
Armour D.	78¼	78
As.Dry Gds.	32⅝	32
Atl'tic Ref.	37½	38¼
Baldwin	32½	32⅝
Barnsdall A	22¼	22⅝
Beth. Steel	99¼	99⅞
C.de Pasco	62½	62
Chile Copp.	61	57
Chrysler	35⅝	36⅜
Col. Fuel	44⅜	45½
Colum. Gas	80¾	82
Col. Graph.	26½	28
Cons. Gas	107⅞	108¼
Cont. Can.	55	55⅝
Cont. Oil	22¼	23¼
Corn Prod.	93	94
Crucible	89½	89¾
DavisonCh.	35	35
Drug, Inc.	78¼	78½
Du Pont	116½	117½
EastmanK.	191	193
Elec.P.& L.	58¾	57⅝
Electric Storage	71	71¼
Fox Film	30⅝	30⅞
Gen. Elec.	261½	264
Gen. Foods	49⅞	51
Gen.Motors	40⅜	41⅜
Gillette	103¼	105
Goodrich	44¼	44¾
Goodyear	70½	70½
Hou.Oil'f'x	55	57
Hud. M'trs	56⅝	57⅝
Ind. Rayon	115	115
Int. Comb.	8¼	7⅞
Int. Harv'r	88½	89⅜
Int.C.Amer	29	30
Kansas C.S.	77	77
Loulsville	130	135
Min. S.P.	29	30
Mo. Pac.	28½	29¼
Do., Pref.	136¼	137
N.Mex.1 Pf	3	3
Do., 2 Pf.	1½	1
N.Y. Cent.	176	177
N.Y.C. & St.L.	234¼	233
N. Pacific	85	84½
Pennsylv'a	78⅝	78½
Reading	126¾	124¼
S.L. & S.F.	109	109
S.L.& S.F. 6%	63	64¼
S. Pacific	120½	121⅝
Southern	136	136
Do., Pref.	98	98
U. Pacific	219⅜	221
Do., Pref.	82¾	82¾
Wabash	55½	55
Do., Pf. A	84	84¼
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Ind. Rayon	115	115
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Int. Harv'r	88½	89⅜

KERB STOCKS

An.-Am.Oil	17¼	17
Assoc. Gas	45½	45⅞
Brit.-Amer. Tobacco	27½	27⅝
Celanese	31¼	31⅜
Elec. Bond	85⅜	86
Gulf Oil	136½	136
nt. Pet.	20½	20⅞
Mid. West Utilities	28⅛	27⅝
Pennroad	13¼	13¼
Silica Gel	26	26
Stand. Oil of Indiana	53⅛	53
Swift Int.	32½	32⅝
Vacuum Oil	95	95

BONDS

Libty Ln., 3½%, '32/47	99	99
Do.,4½% (4th)	100 30/32	100 31/32
Do.,(4th) 4½%	100 29/32	100 30/32
U.K.,5½% 1937	103¾	103½
Do., 4% 1960-90	84¼	84¼
Arg., 6% 1959	96⅝	97
Aust., 5% 1957	89¼	90
A'tria, 7% 1945	103½	103¾
Belg., 6% 1955	103	103
Do., 7% 1955	109¾	109½
Brazil, 7½ 1952	100½	100½
Bulg.,7,'67	77½	77½
Canada, 5, 1931	100	100¼
Chile,7,'42	101	100½
Do.,6,'60	89	89
Czech.,8% 1951	110½	110¾
Denm'k6% 1942	104¼	104⅜
Dutch E.I. 6% '62	102½	102⅜
Do., 5½% 1953	102	102
Est. Rly. 7% '54	105¼	105½
Int.C.Amer	29	30
Kansas C.S.	77	77
Louisville	130	135
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N.Y. Cent.	176	177
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N. Pacific	85	84½
Pennsylv'a	78⅝	78½
Reading	126¾	124¼
S.L. & S.F.	109	109
S.L.& S.F. 6%	63	64¼
S. Pacific	120½	121⅝
Southern	136	136
Do., Pref.	98	98
U. Pacific	219⅜	221
Do., Pref.	82¾	82¾
Wabash	55½	55
Do., Pf. A	84	84¼
Fin., 6% 1945	93	93
Fren.,7½% 1941	120⅛	119⅞
Do., 7,'49	113½	113¼
Ger., 7,'49	106⅞	106¼
Greek,7% 1964	99	99
Hamb'g, 6, 1946	93½	93⅞
Hungary, 7½%,'44	101	101
Ital., 7% 1951	97¼	96⅞
Jap.,6½% 1954	102¾	102⅝
Nord Bly., 6½%,'50	104¼	104⅜
Norway6% 1952	102½	102¼
P.L.M.,6% 1958	103⅜	103⅝
Do., 7% 1958	106	105½
Poland7% 1947	83¼	83½
Do., 8% 1950	95	95
Rio de Sul 8%, '46	95¼	94
San P.,8% 1950	92½	92
Seine, 7% 1942	107½	107¼
Swed.5½% 1954	104½	104½
TokyoCity, 5½%,'61	89	89⅞

The following quotations are supplied by Reuter:—

	Jan. 28	Jan. 27
Atchison, Pref.	103½	103½
Lehigh Valley	71½	70
Missouri, Kansas, and Texas	55¼	55⅞
New York, Ontario, and Western	14¼	14⅛
Reading, 1st Preft.	46½	46
Texas and Pacific	117¼	120
National Lead	152	150

* Ex dividend. † Ex rights. ‡ Ex stock dividend.

Call money continued in ample supply with 4½ per cent. the ruling and highest and 4 per cent. the lowest and last rate paid. Commercial paper remained at 4½ to 5½ per cent. for prime names.

Open market discount rates were quoted at 4½ to 4 per cent. for 90-day bank bills and 4½ to 4½ per cent. for six months bills.

Sterling exchange showed further easiness, cable transfers declining 4.86 7-16.

Silver rose ¼c. to 44½c. for foreign bullion.

Gold to the value of $5,160,000 has been received from Brazil.

The Norfolk and Western Railroad has declared a quarterly dividend of $2.50, against $2.00 paid previously.

The Illinois Central Railroad has declared the regular quarterly dividend of $1.75.

The report of the United States Steel Corporation for the December quarter shows that the total earnings were $56,385,000, against $70,174,000 for the previous quarter and $53,187,000 for the December quarter of 1928. Net income amoun

MONEY MARKET

GOLD FOR GERMANY

SPANISH CURRENCY WEAKER

As expected the redemption of Three per Cent. Exchequer Bonds caused money to be very plentiful in the short loan market yesterday. Fresh loans for the night commanded 3½ per cent. at the start, but the rate soon declined to 3½ per cent. and at the close of the day balances were offered below 3 per cent. Old loans carried at variable rates were usually renewed at 3½ per cent. While monetary conditions favoured easier discount rates, the day's gold movements exerted a contrary effect. The bulk of the £480,000 of bar gold available in the bullion market was bought for Germany at the higher price of 84s. 11½d. per oz., and a further £103,000 of bar gold was taken out of the Bank of England for the same destination. Moreover another £350,000 in sovereigns was earmarked at the Bank. Discount rates were therefore fairly well maintained in spite of easy money, brokers reporting sales of three months fine bank bills at 3 29-32 per cent. and at 3¾ per cent. March bills were dealt in at 4 per cent. and at 3 15-16 per cent., and February maturities at 4 per cent. Treasury Bills are, of course, in short supply and were wanted at 3¾ per cent.

The Bank rate is 5 per cent., to which it was reduced from 5½ per cent. on December 12. The banks' deposit rate is 3 per cent. and the deposit rates of the discount houses are 3 per cent. at call and 3¼ per cent. at notice.

Loans (per Cent.)	Discount (Bank Bills) (per Cent.)			
Day to day	For short periods	60 days	3 months	4 months	6 months
3½—4	4	4–4⅛	3 15/16—4	3 15/16—4	4

Discount (Treasury Bills)	(Fine Trade Bills)			
2 mths. %	3 mths. %	3 months	4 months	6 months
4	3 15/16–3 31/32	5—5½	5¼—5½	5½—6

BANK OF THE NETHERLANDS

(000's omitted)

	Jan. 27	Inc. or Dec.
	Guilders	Guilders
Gold and silver	468,852	– 5,866
Bills and advances	357,943	– 7,005
Notes in circulation	786,778	– 11,194
Deposits	33,655	– 2,161

—Reuter.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

The New York exchange moved narrowly, closing at $4.86⅛. Leading Continental rates also showed small movements, the Berlin rate being 1pf. higher at 20.36½m., and the Paris rate being finally unaltered at 123.89f. Dutch florins were cheaper, the Amsterdam rate closing at 12.11⅛fl., compared with 12.10⅞fl. on Monday. Weakness was apparent in Spanish currency, and this was believed to be associated with the latest political developments in that country, pesetas being offered on Spanish account. After being 38.20p., the Madrid rate closed at 37.97½p., against 37.35p. Forward Spain was described as a wild market, business in three months being reported between 13c. and 5c. premium; the final quotations were 10c., premium, and 4c., premium, for three and one month respectively. Eastern exchanges showed little movement. Among the South American exchanges a setback occurred in the Argentine rate, which closed at 44⅛d., the Rio exchange declining 1/32d. to 5 11/16d.

The following table gives the range of telegraphic exchange quotations within which business was reported yesterday:—

Place	Method of Quoting	Par of Exch'nge	Jan. 28	Jan. 27
New York	$ to £	4.86⅓	4.86 15/16–4.86 31/32	4.86 15/16–4.86 31/32
Montreal	$ to £	4.86⅓	4.91 1/32–29/32	4.91 1/16–29/32
Paris	Fr. to £	124.21	123.87-90	123.87-90
Brussels	Bel. to £	35.00	34.93½–93¾	34.93-94¼
Milan	Lire to £	92.46	92.96-92.99	92.95-93.00
Zurich	Fr. to £	25.2215	25.18-18½	25.18-18½
Athens	Dr. to £	375	374⅝–375¼	375-375½
Helsingfors	M. to £	190.22	1935/8–1939/8	1935/8–1939/8
Madrid	Pts. to £	25.2215	37.75-38.20	37.90-37.70
Lisbon	Escu. to £	—	108⅛–108½	108⅛–108½
Amsterd'm	Fl. to £	12.107	12.10⅛–11⅛	12.10⅛–11
Berlin	M. to £	20.43	20.35⅞–36½	20.35⅞–36⅞
Vienna	Sch. to £	34.58½	34.55-60	34.56-61
Budapest	Pen. to £	27.82	27.80-85	27.80-85
Prague	Kr. to £	164.25	164⅜–164⅞	164⅛–164⅞
Warsaw	Zlotys to £	43.38	43.31-43.43	43.31-43.43
Riga	Lats to £	25.2215	25.23-25.33	25.23-33
Bucharest	Lei to £	812.6	817-820	817-820
Const'ple	Pst. to £	110	1,020-1,045	1,020-1,045
Belgrade	Din. to £	25.2215	275¼–276¼	275¼–276¼
Kovno	Lit. to £	48.66	48⅛–49	48⅝–49
Sofia	Lev. to £	673.659	670-676	670-676
Reykjavik	Kr. to £	18.159	18.18-18.26	18.18-18.26
Oslo	Kr. to £	18.159	18.20¾–21¼	18.21-21¾
Stockholm	Kr. to £	18.159	18.12⅛–12⅝	18.12-13
Copenh'n	Kr. to £	18.159	18.18¼–18.19	18.18⅛–19¼
Alexandria	Pst. to £	97⅛	97 15/16–97 31/32	97 15/16–97 31/32
Bombay	Per Rup.	18d.	1/5 29/32–15/16	1/5 29/32–15/16
Calcutta	Per Rup.	18d.	1/5 29/32–15/16	1/5 29/32–15/16
Madras	Per Rup.	18d.	1/5 29/32–15/16	1/5 29/32–15/16
Hong-kong	Per Dol.	—	1/6⅝–1/8	1/6⅝–1/8
Kobe	Per Yen.	24.58d.	2 0/16–5/16	2 0/16–5/16
Shanghai	Per Tael	—	2/0-2/0¼	2/0-2/0¼
Singapore	Per Dol.	2/4	2/3 31/32–15/16	2/3 31/32–15/16
Batavia	Fl. to £	12.107	12.12⅝–13⅛	12.12⅝–13⅛
Manila	Per Dol.	24.066d.	2/0⅛	2/0⅛
Rio de Jan.	Per Mil.	5.899d.	5½–5 11/16	5 11/16–5⅝
B. Aires	Per Dol.	47.577d.	44⅞–44 31/32	45 1/16–45⅛
Montev'o	$ to £	40	39.78	39.80
Mexico	Per Dol.	51d.	44⅞–45¼	45⅛–45⅜
Lima†	£s. to £r.	Par	243·4% prem.	251·5% prem.
Mexico	Pesos to£	9.76	10.10-10.35 ‡	10.10-10.35 ‡

† 60 days. ‡ Based on legal stabilization at 82.90-3.05 to Dollar. ‡ Nominal.

EMPIRE EXCHANGE RATES

BUYING RATES PER £100

—	Demand	30 days' sight	60 days' sight	90 days' sight
On:—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Australia	98 10 0	98 5 18	98 5 7	98 4 16 3
New Zealand	97 0 0	96 8 9	96 5 17	96 5 6
Africa & Rhodesia	98 15 0	98 2 6	97 10 0	97 9 17 6

SELLING RATES

—	Cable Transfers	Demand
On:—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Australia	98 0 0	97 12 6
New Zealand	98 7 6	98 0 0
South Africa	99 15 0	99 12 6
Rhodesia	99 16 3	99 13 9

SOUTH AMERICAN EXCHANGE RATES

Country	—	Par	Latest rate sight	Previous rate sight
Ecuador	Sucres to £	24.3325	24.70	24.69
Venezuela	Bolivares to £	25.25	25.55	25.52
Colombia (Bogota)	Pesos to £	5.00	5.06	5.04
Nicaragua	Cordobas to £	4.87	4.92	4.92
Salvador	Colones to £	9.73	10.00	10.10
Bolivia	Pence to Boliviano	18d.	18d.†	18d.

† 90 days.

The Bank of England announced yesterday that £550,000 in SOVEREIGNS had been set aside, and that £102,564 in BAR GOLD had been sold. Since Wednesday last there has been a net efflux of £849,366, as shown below:—

Arrivals	£	Withdrawals	£
Jan. 23—		Jan. 23—	
Bar gold	12	Sovs. set aside	100,000
		Sovs.	2,000
Jan. 24—		Jan. 24—	
Sovs.	21,881		Nil
Foreign gold coin	1,050		
Jan. 25—		Jan. 25—	
	Nil	Sovs. set aside	100,000
		Bar gold	13,750
		Sovs.	2,000
Jan. 27—		Jan. 27—	
Foreign gold coin	5	Sovs.	2,000
Jan. 28—		Jan. 28—	
		Sovs. set aside	550,000
		Bar gold	102,564
Net efflux	849,366		
Total	£872,314	Total	£872,314

Net influx for 1930 to date, £4,228,988; efflux for 1929 (according to the published movements of gold), £8,228,489.

In the bullion market £480,000 of South African bar gold was available and was sold at 84s. 11½d. per oz., this price comparing with 84s. 10½d. on Monday and 84s. 11d. on January 21. Of the total, £422,000 was bought for Germany, £40,000 for the Continental trade, and £18,000 for the home trade.

Silver was firmer on Indian buying; the price rising ¼d. to 20¼d. per oz. for cash and to 20 9/16d. for forward delivery.

BULLION AND SPECIE

Imports of gold into Great Britain and Northern Ireland, registered from January 23, to midday on January 27 amounted to £52,203, of which £45,085 came from British West Africa, while exports amounted to £473,183, of which £393,080 went to France. In the same period imports of silver amounted to £395,478, and exports amounted to £13,929.

COMPANY RESULTS

U.S. AND GENERAL TRUST

The dividends shown in the following table are those announced on the Ordinary capitals (unless otherwise indicated) of the companies mentioned, and are the actual rates being paid (as distinct from the rates per annum):—

Company	Div.	Corresp'g. div.	Date payable	Total for year	Prev. year
	%	%		%	%
Birmingham Rly. Carriage and Wagon	10	10	—	10	10
City Assocn.	2	4	—	2	4
City Offices	Final 6¼	6¼	Feb. 28	12½	12½
Westminster Chambers	Final 7	6¼	Feb. 28	13	12½
Westminster Elec.	Fin.13.12d. per sh.†	13.12d. per sh.	Feb. 28	1/9.12† per sh.	1/9.12† per sh.

† The company's standard dividend.

British Investment Trust.—Final dividend on the Deferred stock for the year to January 1 last of 13 per cent., making 21 per cent. for the year (the same).

GALERIES LAFAYETTE

The directors of Galeries Lafayette, Limited, report a net profit of £10,360 for the year ended July 27 (against £31,065 for 1927-28). They recommend that the whole of this sum be transferred to reserve account. For the preceding year £6,405 was transferred to reserve and a dividend of 8 per cent. was paid. Meeting, February 5.

CANADIAN CITY AND TOWN PROPERTIES

The profit of the Canadian City and Town Properties for the year ended October 31 last amounted to £7,032 (against £7,750 for 1927-28). An increased dividend is proposed (4 per cent. against 3½ per cent.), but the allocation to general reserve is to be reduced from £2,500 to £1,000, while the carry-forward is £1,184 (against £1,101). Meeting, February 5.

PHARAOH GANE AND CO.

The net profit of Pharaoh Gane and Co., timber merchants, for 1929 amounted to £46,738, in addition to which £4,394 was brought forward. After allowing for the Preference dividend and deducting £5,901 for income-tax, it is proposed to pay a dividend of 10 per cent. on the Ordinary shares, absorbing £5,950, to provide £13,621 for directors' additional remuneration, to transfer £10,000 to general reserve and £2,000 to staff pension fund, leaving £6,254 to be carried forward.

ASHTON BROTHERS

A net loss of £7,365 is reported by Ashton Brothers and Co., cotton spinners and weavers, for 1929 (against a net loss of £44,847 for 1928). Against this a credit balance of £3,406 was brought forward, and a transfer of £10,000 (against £35,000) is made from reserve, which provides for the year's Preference dividend, and leaves a credit balance of £1,720 to be carried forward. No dividend is proposed on the Ordinary shares for the second successive year. Meeting, February 4.

JOHN BOLDING AND SONS

The directors of John Bolding and Sons, brass founders, sanitary appliances, masons, &c., announce that the net profit for 1929, after allowing for income-tax, depreciation, Preference dividend, and directors' fees was £21,976, against £20,540 for 1928. They propose to pay a dividend for the full year of 17½ per cent., less tax (interim dividend 5 per cent., less tax) on the Ordinary shares (the same), transfer £2,500 to reserve (the same), and carry forward £17,818 (against £15,842). Meeting, February 17.

UNITED STATES AND GENERAL TRUST

The net revenue of the United States and General Trust Corporation for 1929, amounted to £108,628 (against £97,420 for 1928), excluding £23,426 brought forward. The board have transferred £25,000 (against £7,970) to reserve account, and propose to pay a final dividend of 9 per cent. on the Deferred stock, making 14 per cent. for the year (against 13 per cent.). The amount to be carried forward is £12,161. A valuation of the investments shows a surplus of approximately £400,000 over the amount at which they stand in the balance-sheet—namely, £2,712,431. Meeting, Feb. 6.

GENERAL FUNDS INVESTMENT

The General Funds Investment Trust announce that the balance of revenue for the year ended January 15, 1930, is £11,495 (against £8,896 for the preceding period of approximately 14 months). After transferring £3,000 to the general reserve account (against nil last year) and paying Five per Cent. Preference stock dividend there remains a balance available of £5,198. The directors recommend payment of a dividend of 5 per cent. for the year on the Ordinary stock (the same), leaving a balance to be carried forward of £1,134 (against £767). The capital reserve fund has been increased by £536 to £3,265.

GARING (MALACCA) RUBBER

The profit of the Garing (Malacca) Rubber Estate for the year ended September 30 amounted to £8,497 (against £1,408 for 1927-28), to which is added £3,690 brought forward. The directors propose to pay a dividend of 7½ per cent. for the year (against nil), transferring £2,000 (against nil) to general reserve and £600 to income-tax reserve (against nil), carrying forward £3,859. The crop amounted to 480,000lb. (against 323,600lb.), in addition to which 148,963lb. was not covered by export licences at September 30, 1928, but has since been sold, making a total of 628,963lb. The average gross price realized was 9.01d. (against 11.76d.) a lb. Meeting, February 5.

ROMNEY TRUST

The net revenue of the Romney Trust for 1929 amounted to £28,165 (against £19,429 for 1928). The rate of the dividend for the year on the Ordinary stock is unchanged at 7 per cent., and the discount and expenses, amounting to £5,256, in connexion with the issue of the Five per Cent. Debenture stock, have been written off. After allowing for these items and also for the Preference dividend, the balance forward is £8,406 (against £9,497). The net capital appreciation realized upon the sale and redemption of investments has been transferred to contingencies reserve, which has been applied to writing down the cost of investments. A valuation of the investments as at December 31 last shows a figure not less than that appearing in the balance-sheet, viz., £738,156. Meeting, February 5.

LONDON PRODUCE CLEARING-HOUSE

The net profit of the London Produce Clearing-House for the year 1929 amounted to £35,011 (against £36,534 for 1928). As previously announced, a final dividend of 6 per cent. is proposed on the Ordinary shares, together with a bonus of 3 per cent., making a total distribution for the year of 15 per cent. (the same), the dividend on the Founders' shares again being £56 5s. per share. The balance forward is increased from £26,536 to £27,797. Investments are shown in the balance-sheet at £502,588 (against £547,588), which is below the value as at December 31 last. The contracts registered with the company in 1929 were:—White sugar, 305,500 tons (against 1,538,650 tons); raw sugar, 2,127,100 tons (against 213,600 tons); cocoa, 66,120 tons (against 28,320 tons). Meeting, February 4.

TATA POWER

Net profits of the Tata Power Company for the year ended June 30 amounted to Rs.2,71,521 (against Rs.80,147 for 1927-28, being the first year of the company's partial working). At the meeting in Bombay on December 23 the directors recommended the payment of a dividend at 7½ per cent. per annum on the Preference shares for three months ended June 30, 1927, requiring Rs.1,57,575, the carry-forward being increased from Rs.5,078 to Rs.1,19,024. The agents of the company, Messrs. Tata Sons, Limited, have entered into an arrangement with the American and Foreign Power Company by which a half share in the agencies of the four hydro-electric companies of which Messrs. Tata Sons, Limited, are agents is to be given to them on a certain consideration and the agencies will be transferred to a new company to be called the Tata Hydro-Electric Agencies, Limited.

HACKNEY FURNISHING

The first accounts of the Hackney Furnishing Company (1928), covering the period from November 15, 1928, to December 31 last show a net profit of £31,317. Interim Preference dividends were paid on January 1, and July 1, 1929, absorbing £8,622, and £10,000 has been transferred to reserve, leaving £12,595 to be carried forward. A further Preference dividend of £7,000 has since been paid. The directors state in their report that the period was not in any way a normal trading year. The bulk of the profits was made during the last quarter of the year, when the company had practically the full quota of branches planned. Of the capital underwritten, namely, £375,000, a total of £36,163 has not been taken up owing to defaults by underwriters. Against this the company holds application moneys totalling £1,400 and has forfeited the majority of these shares. Meeting, Feb. 4.

ANDHRA VALLEY POWER SUPPLY

After setting aside general depreciation and allowing the usual percentage on dam depreciation amortization fund, the net profits of the Andhra Valley Power Supply Company for the year ended June 30 last amounted to Rs.7,36,183 (against Rs.6,56,286 for 1927-28), while Rs.1,00,083 was brought forward. Deducting Rs.1,35,000 (against Rs.1,35,000) set aside as provision for depreciation on investments, Rs.7,777 written off against loss on investments sold, and Rs.3,45,240 for the Preference share dividend, the directors proposed the payment of a dividend of 2 per cent., free of tax, on the Ordinary shares, leaving Rs.29,189 to be carried forward. The directors are advised that the depreciation allowance of Rs.11 lakhs made hitherto is too high, and that Rs.9 lakhs would be sufficient. They have accordingly set aside for the past year 9 lakhs for depreciation, but

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ANGLO-AMERICAN OIL COMPANY, LIMITED.

LONDON, ENGLAND.

OFFER TO EXCHANGE SHARES, both Voting and Non-Voting, of ANGLO-AMERICAN OIL COMPANY, LIMITED (including Coupon No. 39 and subsequent attached) for Shares of the STANDARD OIL EXPORT CORPORATION.

To the **SHAREHOLDERS OF THE ANGLO-AMERICAN OIL CO., LTD.**

Up to close of business last night there has been deposited or promised to be deposited, not later than to-day, between 70% and 80% of the total shares outstanding, both Voting and Non-Voting. The success of the Plan is therefore assured. Shareholders who have not deposited their shares can still do so up to and including the 31st January.

The exchange into Export Corporation Shares is better for Shareholders than selling their shares on the market. Export Corporation shares are now quoted 96½ to 97½ in New York and may easily reach par.

A. H. HEWETT,
Secretary.

JOHN BARKER AND COMPANY

NEW ARTICLES ADOPTED

BASIS OF DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

An extraordinary general meeting of John Barker and Company, Limited, was held yesterday on the company's premises, High-street, Kensington, to consider resolutions empowering the company to carry on safe deposit business and generally to act as bankers for customers and others, and also approving and adopting new articles of association.

SIR SYDNEY M. SKINNER (chairman of the company), who presided, said that in regard to the first resolution, the company had from time to time, for a great many years, as a limited practice, accepted money on deposit when requested by customers for their accounts, but in one instance recently the company's power to accept such money had been questioned, and it had been decided to place the matter beyond all doubt. The other resolution proposed to adopt an entirely new set of articles. Some criticism had been directed to the proposals on the ground that, in part, they avoided the intention of certain provisions in the new Companies Act. That was definitely not so. It had been found impracticable to give proper legal effect to the appointment of departmental directors, and the gentlemen concerned would, for administrative purposes, in future be styled departmental managers. The other change concerned the appointment of certain of the directors who to-day were whole-time working directors, exercising managing functions in the business, to the officially recognized office of managing directors.

The Chairman then moved the resolution empowering the company to carry on safe deposit business and generally to act as bankers.

Mr. T. A. BOWEN (vice-chairman) seconded the resolution.

Mr. STEVENS asked whether the fact that the company was taking powers to act as bankers meant that, if they received, say, £500,000 in the course of the year from their customers, the directors would receive 1 per cent. of that as extra turnover of John Barker and Co.

Mr. R. B. GRAY, F.C.A., said that the answer was in the negative, since any money received on deposit would be credited to customers' accounts, and any paid out would be debited, and, therefore, would not go into the turnover.

The resolution was adopted with one dissentient.

The CHAIRMAN moved the resolution adopting the new articles of association, which was also seconded by Mr. BOWEN.

COLONEL RUNDLE said that the new Companies Act had been described as a safeguard in that it provided that shareholders should know what remuneration directors received. But it appeared that it was not a safeguard because a later clause said the directors need not disclose their remuneration as managing directors.

Mr. BEER said that it seemed to him that by the directors styling themselves managing directors they were enabled to refuse any information regarding their remuneration. If there was to be a sliding scale it should be by a percentage on profits.

The CHAIRMAN, in reply, said that on the death of Sir John Barker, and after the difficulties in regard to the management shares were surmounted, it was clear to those intimately connected with the company that if men of the right calibre and ability were to be found and retained in its service, and to accept all the previous burdens and responsibilities which Sir John, as owner, or large shareholder, had previously shouldered, some fund must be created which would be sufficiently ample to enable the company to attract and retain such men. Accordingly, after mature consideration, and based on exactly the same lines as the commission of every buyer in the company's employ, a clause was drawn up for embodiment in the articles of association giving the directors the right to draw a commission not exceeding 1 per cent. on increased turnover, provided that the Preference dividends were duly earned and paid together with a dividend of not less than 10 per cent. on the Ordinary shares. This was the basis of the contract as it stood in the articles. In a great distributive business the regularity of the dividends in a great measure depended on extreme care, foresight, and vigilance on the part of the board, especially in regard to the scheduling and valuation of stocks and insuring that the business retained such reserve of financial support as was, in the opinion of the board, necessary to give it stability and to enable its position to be maintained in face of every competition. These important considerations would not be furthered by making remuneration dependent entirely upon profits made or distributed.

In the course of further discussion, the basis of remunerating the directors was warmly supported, and a motion to adjourn the meeting for six months was defeated. The resolution was carried on a show of hands. A request for a poll did not obtain the necessary support, the chairman stating that the meeting represented some 56,076 votes, whereas the directors had proxies for 650,000 votes.

FRENCH FOREIGN TRADE

INCREASED IMPORTS OF RAW MATERIALS

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

PARIS, JAN. 27

With the publication of the December results the French trade returns for 1929 are now complete. The total volume of trade was valued at 108,357,000,000f., an increase of 3,547,000,000f. over 1928.

The total imports for 1929 amounted to 58,284,000,000f., an increase of 4,849,000,000f. over 1928. The total exports were valued at 50,072,000,000f., a decrease of 1,302,000,000f. as compared with 1928. The imports exceeded the exports by 8,212,000,000f. In 1928 the excess of imports over exports was 2,060,000,000f.

The import of raw materials in 1929 accounted for a large part of the increase as compared with 1928, the figures being 35,160,000,000f., as compared with 32,982,000,000f. The imports of manufactured articles also increased from 7,913,000,000f. in 1928 to 9,946,000,000f. in 1929. The exports of manufactures declined from 32,063,000,000f. to 31,440,000,000f.

BRIGHTON CORPORATION LOAN NEGOTIATIONS

(FROM OUR BRIGHTON CORRESPONDENT)

It became known yesterday that, in connexion with undertakings authorized by the Government, the Brighton Corporation is negotiating for a loan of about £1,000,000. The undertakings include waterworks, lighting, housing, and street improvements. No definite statement as to the amount or terms of the issue has yet been made. The matter will be considered at a special meeting of the Town Council to-morrow. Brighton was last in the stock market in 1927, when the issue was made by Corporation and General Securities.

point out that the allowance may have to be scaled either upward or downward from time to time. Messrs. Tata Sons, Limited, agents of the company, have entered into an arrangement with the American and Foreign Power Company by which a half-share in the agencies of the four hydro-electric companies of which Messrs. Tata Sons, Limited, are agents is to be given to them on a certain consideration, and the agencies will be transferred to a new company, to be called the Tata Hydro-Electric Agencies, Limited.

GOLDMAN SACHS TRADING

The Goldman Sachs Trading Corporation's accounts for the period ended December 31 last show total assets of $251,948,237 and liabilities and reserves of $18,945,210. The difference between these two figures—namely, $233,003,026—is equivalent to $40.94 per share on 5,691,310 shares of capital stock outstanding as at end of year, including shares issued as stock dividend on January 2. In preparing the balance-sheet all securities were valued at cost or market price, whichever was lower, excepting the investment in the American Trust Company of San Francisco, of which all but a few shares are held and which was taken at twice the asset value, which was below cost. The income account of Goldman Sachs Trading Corporation and subsidiaries shows realized profits of $30,979,778, which does not include any value for stock dividends received, and includes profits of subsidiaries from the date of acquisition only. These realized profits are before adjustments arising from revaluation of assets occasioned by the general decline in security values and have been applied against such adjustments, the balance of which has been charged against capital surplus. No compensation is due or will be paid to managers for this period. The president's letter will state the opinion that the true value of the securities owned is greater than the amount arrived at by using market values as at December 31, as the market value from time to time of the major investments of the corporation is not a measure of the real value, the main purpose of the corporation being to acquire such investments for inherent work and prospects of future growth and enhancement in value. Of the total assets, $218,894,339 are securities held as capital investments. Stock dividends have been paid regularly at the rate of 1½ per cent. quarterly, making total distributions, including the payment on January 2, 6 per cent.

COMPANY MEETINGS

MARTINS BANK LIMITED

IMPROVED RESULTS IN A DIFFICULT YEAR

TRADE FEATURES AND PROBLEMS

BANKS AND REORGANIZATION

DIFFICULTIES OF THE COTTON INDUSTRY

"NATIONAL PROSPERITY STILL DEPENDS ON THE NORTH"

MR. ALLAN PATON'S SPEECH

The NINETY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING of shareholders of Martins Bank Limited was held at the Exchange Hotel, Liverpool, yesterday.

Mr. A. ALLAN PATON, C.B. (the chairman), presided over a large attendance.

The notice convening the meeting and the auditors' report having been read,

The CHAIRMAN said:—The report and accounts have been circulated, and I assume it is your pleasure they should be taken as read. (Agreed.)

Since our last annual meeting we have suffered a great loss through the untimely death of Sir Aubrey Brocklebank, a deputy chairman, who was an active and greatly valued member of the board. We regret deeply that he is no longer with us, and that a family connexion which has existed since 1833 has been severed.

The vacancy on the board has been filled by the appointment of Mr. A. Harold Bibby, of Messrs. Bibby Brothers and Co., which we shall ask you to confirm.

I turn now to the balance-sheet, which is presented in a slightly different form this year, partly in compliance with the new Companies Act and in part furnishing the fuller details suggested by the Cunliffe Committee. In connexion with the new Companies Act we propose to revise our articles and to present them to you in their new form for adoption at a subsequent meeting.

INCREASED PROFITS AND THE USUAL DIVIDEND

It will be seen from the profit and loss account that the net profit for the year amounts to £836,239, which compares with £825,434 a year ago. Including £111,499 brought forward, the disposable balance is £947,738, out of which the board propose that £100,000 should be applied in reduction of the premises account, which will then stand at £2,198,648, as compared with £2,068,717 after last year's allocation from profits. The board also propose to place £50,000 to reserve, bringing that fund up to £3,507,872, and to pay the usual dividend of 16 per cent., which will absorb £665,607, leaving £132,131 to be carried forward to the next account. In these difficult times we may fairly congratulate ourselves on such results.

I do not wish to detain you for any length of time over the balance-sheet, but you will no doubt welcome some explanatory comments, especially of the items which appear for the first time.

SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF THE BANK'S RESOURCES

I would first draw your attention to the substantial amount of our own resources. The capital, reserve fund, and profit and loss account together total £8,132,849, from which must, of course, be deducted the half-year's dividend of £332,803, payable on the 30th instant. This will leave the satisfactory figure of £7,800,046.

Current, deposit, and other accounts stand at £82,620,493, against £82,932,881 a year ago, while, by a coincidence, loans and advances appear also to be less by about the same amount, at £42,246,172, showing a ratio of 51 per cent. to the deposits. Actually, items which are now shown separately but were formerly grouped under the heading of "Advances to Customers and Other Accounts" amount to £1,696,559, so that in fact the loans have increased by £1,342,253.

Our cash in hand and balances with the Bank of England (which are equivalent to cash) amount to £10,332,181, or a ratio of 12.5 per cent. to our liabilities to depositors. Money at call and short notice and our balances with British banks, plus cheques in course of collection, amount to £8,951,988, and combining this with the cash figures we get a total of £19,284,169, or a ratio of 23.3 per cent. to liabilities.

Balances abroad are with a large number of leading banks and represent funds employed in meeting the foreign requirements of our customers. Our correspondents also keep sterling accounts with us and, on balance, we generally have more foreign funds in our hands than we keep in accounts abroad.

Treasury bills and British bills of exchange are self-explanatory, but I might say that the latter are all of good quality with an early date of maturity.

The item of Colonial and foreign bills includes £100,000 India Government Treasury bills, and a substantial part of the remainder bear the indorsement of first-class foreign banks.

THE INVESTMENTS

The decrease in the investments is reflected mainly in the item of Treasury bills amounting to £3,370,000, in the increase in cash by £1,210,234, and in the larger totals of money at call, &c., by £858,116. Ignoring small variations in other items, the balance is accounted for by the previously mentioned increase in loans and advances and the diminution of £312,388 in the amount due to depositors.

Of the investments themselves I need only refer to the item of £861,953 in respect of other first-class investments. This is largely composed of British Railway Debenture and Preference stocks which have been written down below current values.

Items in transit represent inter-branch transactions which have since been wholly completed.

Other assets comprise items not readily classified under other heads, and include our holding of Yorkshire Penny Bank shares, valued at £131,250. Properties not in the occupation of the bank are also included.

Premises have been liberally written down and are worth more than the figure at which they stand, but at the same time we consider it prudent to continue the policy of depreciation. Mention is made in the report of 14 new offices which we have arranged to open.

BANKS AND INDUSTRY

Passing from our purely domestic concerns, I would refer in the first place to the appointment by the Government of a Committee to inquire into banking, finance, and credit. In view of much ill-informed criticism bankers generally welcome the appointment of such a Committee, and will await with interest, as well as confidence, the result of their deliberations. The frank statements recently made at Manchester by the Right Hon. J. H. Thomas will themselves have helped to dispel the erroneous idea that the banks do not assist trade and commerce as they should.

It is with satisfaction that we learn from Mr. Thomas of the willingness of the City to assist in the reconstruction of our depressed industries. The banks are willing to play their part, but it must be remembered that the accepted banking practice precludes any investment of their funds in the capital of industrial undertakings.

The banks can only act as intermediaries between those who undertake a financial reconstruction and the public who eventually subscribe the necessary capital from their accumulated savings.

If this reorganization takes place and industry is placed once more on a sound competitive basis, credit will be plentiful and we could hope to see our export trade revive.

With regard to the frequent allegation that the needs of the small trader and manufacturer are not adequately met, I think it useful to repeat an analysis which has been given from this chair in previous years. The analysis in question shows that out of 31,308 overdrawn accounts on our books at the end of the year no fewer than 26,743 were in debt less than £1,000, while of the remainder 3,288 were overdrawn by amounts varying from £1,000 to £5,000.

REACTION IN NEW YORK

The year will be memorable for the world-wide difficulties created by the speculative fever in America culminating in the Wall Street collapse last October. The speculation assumed the dimensions of an international problem towards the end of 1928, when Wall Street attracted fluid capital from all parts of the world and America definitely ceased to be a lending country. An outflow of gold commenced from London and the Bank of England raised its rate by stages, until the high rate of 6½ per cent. was imposed in September. It is probable that the determined action of the Bank constituted the first step towards pricking the bubble of speculation. When the reaction came the repercussions were felt in every market, but this country, in spite of its own troubles, stood the strain well.

The position created by the Hatry affair is being straightened out with the help of the banks. We have thought it proper, in the general as well as our own interests, to contribute our proportion to the guarantee fund which has been raised. Failing such help a serious state of affairs might have developed, with widespread reactions on credit in general.

GOLD MOVEMENTS

Gold is flowing into the country, and a specially satisfactory feature is that the French demand, which has been abnormal in consequence of the French banks and private individuals requiring to draw on their foreign balances, appears to have diminished. In spite of statements to the contrary in our Press, it seems clear that it is to the interest of the Bank of France and the French market that high rates should not prevail in other centres and that the policy of the Bank of France is adverse to heavy gold imports which would be a disturbing influence.

An interesting development in connexion with the payment of Reparations by Germany has been the projected establishment of a Bank for International Settlements. Precisely how the new bank will function is not yet clear, but it is hoped that it may be a steadying factor of considerable influence.

EFFECT OF NEW COMPANIES ACT

In this country the new Companies Act which came into force on November 1 is a decided step in the right direction and will help to protect unwary investors from the unscrupulous company promoter. Offers for sale and foreign company issues are now governed by the same provisions as British company prospectuses; and the requirement that actual profits, as opposed to an average, shall be disclosed will be salutary.

It is impossible for a bank to guarantee the general soundness of a prospectus, but we ourselves exercise every care before we consent to the use of our name and have declined in a number of cases to act as bankers to proposed issues.

Coming to home trade generally, it is idle to pretend that it is doing anything more than holding its own, and in saying this I cannot include the cotton industry. I wish I could be more optimistic, but the trend is too uncertain for me to predict any definite improvement in the immediate future.

THE COTTON TRADE

So far as the cotton trade is concerned, it is evident that as a whole it has suffered a further reverse during the past year.

From the standpoint of shareholders or proprietors in the cotton industry, results in the American section have been disastrous, since the records of the spinning trade show that on a capital of some £47,000,000 little over 1 per cent. profit has been earned; in the weaving section, excluding those engaged in specialities, it is well known that while a few have made small profits the losses of others have been heavy. The distress in the industry is clearly shown by the published figures of liquidations and bankruptcies. It is recorded that 123 cotton companies have gone into liquidation, of which 51 have been reconstructed or amalgamated; that receivers have been appointed in 34 cases; and that there have been 54 bankruptcies or deeds of arrangement.

CHANGED CONDITIONS SINCE THE WAR

Under the changed conditions which have obtained since the War the British manufacturer has had to face an increasing competition from countries provided with the most up-to-date machinery and equipment and employing a class of labour which is not only free from any restrictions but is willing and able to turn out by mass production at low wages the class of goods which satisfies the demands of many of our former markets.

It used to be said that the humidity of the Lancashire climate was always one of the factors which placed us ahead of our competitors, but this no longer holds. Our competitors now have mechanical devices for humidifying, and by cheaper living, longer hours of employment and double shifts create formidable competition, particularly in India and China.

Our spinners and manufacturers have therefore been faced with a set of circumstances over which they have had no control, and for which they are in nowise to blame, though in the better class of goods there is still considerable scope for those possessing capital and initiative.

HOPES FROM REORGANIZATION

No doubt much can be achieved by reorganization of the trade generally, which means the scrapping of many of the older methods and the breaking down of some customs and conditions which have grown up during past generations.

In the spinning section the Lancashire Cotton Corporation, Limited, which hopes soon to control some 10,000,000 spindles, has been constituted with the help of the Bank of England and the cooperation of the joint stock banks and is engaged in effecting all possible economies.

The fine spinning trade, which hitherto has been normally profitable, has followed to some extent in the wake of the American section, and has even been compelled to resort to short time. In this section also a relatively small combine has been formed under the style of the Combined Egyptian Mills, Limited, which we understand has already effected substantial economies.

There have, as yet, been no amalgamations of importance in the weaving trade, but these are likely to follow in due course. In the meantime individual manufacturers have been attempting to improve their output by making arrangements under which their workers will operate more looms per individual without necessarily increasing their work, leaving ancillary processes to be

SUN LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY

REVIEW OF PAST YEAR'S RESULTS

STEADY EXPANSION

LARGE INCREASE IN PREMIUM INCOME

IMPORTANCE OF SOUND INVESTMENT POLICY

LIFE ASSURANCE AND VOLUNTARY THRIFT

SIR WILLIAM GOSCHEN'S ADDRESS

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Sun Life Assurance Society was held yesterday at the chief office, 63, Threadneedle-street, London, E.C.

The Hon. Sir WILLIAM HENRY GOSCHEN, K.B.E. (the chairman of the society), presided.

Mr. R. G. SALMON, F.I.A. (the general manager, secretary, and actuary), having read the notice convening the meeting and the report of the auditors,

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen,—Copies of the report and accounts have been duly circulated and you will, I assume, be willing to take them as read. Many of the present company have, I know, read them and are fully aware of their contents. The story told by these accounts is, I think, a satisfactory one. We, of course, have our difficulties and trials, but somehow we have a habit of coming through them happily.

CHANGES IN THE DIRECTORATE

The changes in our directorate last year have consisted of one death, two retirements, and two appointments. Mr. Peacock retired consequent upon his acceptance of more onerous duties as a managing director of Barings. He was a valued colleague and one whose advice we frequently sought on many financial matters. Mr. Sclater-Booth, whose retirement was due to ill-health, had attended these meetings for many years, and with him ceases a connexion with the house of Basing that lasted nearly 60 years.

Our most recent loss by the death of Mr. Edward Dent was one which the directors and several members of the staff feel very deeply. He was in his 84th year, and was within a month of completing his 60th year as a director of this society. He had been with the society while life assurance had grown from a relatively small influence to its present great position. He joined the board when the funds amounted to under £2,000,000 and saw them grow in nearly £40,000,000. Lord Londonderry, whose reappointment is referred to in the report, has rejoined the society after having become free of his national and Parliamentary duties, and I need only say that we are pleased to have him among us again and to have the benefit of his wide knowledge and experience.

THE PUBLIC AND LIFE ASSURANCE

General Russell has just come among us, and the event will, I trust, be the beginning of a long connexion with many influential friends. An assurance company needs all the friends it can make, as a large part of its work consists of obtaining new connexions. There is a constant decrement going on in respect of claims, surrenders, and lapses, but an office that did little more than replace these would certainly now be looked upon as not doing its duty.

Some businesses and trades are lucky enough to be providers of articles or benefits that are acknowledged necessities, and these can just open their doors and the public will flow in and buy. Life assurance, however, does not appear to be considered by the public as an acknowledged necessity; consequently the public has to be sought, and taught that life assurance is a good thing for them, and that they would be wise to possess it in adequate amounts. One has to recognize, though, that life assurance is an intangible article to those who do not already appreciate its value. We in the business know its virtues, but it is the absence of this knowledge among people in general and the difficulties of the appeal to them that make the progress of our business depend upon the expenditure of great labour.

METHODS OF OBTAINING NEW BUSINESS

What is colloquially called the new business, therefore, affords an indication of the energy that we expend in conducting the society. Some of our friends across the water have for some years expressed the view that life assurance in this country is not adequately "pushed" before the public. This cry has been taken up by certain of our newspapers, who have forcibly expressed themselves on the subject. Writers have, I think, hardly appreciated the difference in the conditions that exist between this country and the United States and many of the Colonies—differences in human temperament and age distribution, in finance and taxation, as well as in prosperity and the outlook on life in general. Some of our friends from across the water have established branches here and have found that methods of obtaining business in their home countries are not so successful when applied here. There is a constant conflict of opinion as to the value of advertising, or of circularizing, and periodically the agency system existing in this country is denounced. I may say, however, that we have tried most ways of getting business and find that our existing agency system, backed up by our trained outdoor staff, is the most satisfactory and economical way of securing business at the present time.

At any rate, the management of many of the home life assurance companies is keenly alive, and I can assure you that our own company is not lacking in energy and enterprise to the full extent that is good for all those who look to obtain benefits from their connexion with the office. There are conflicting interests to be studied, and, while a large expenditure on an intensive campaign after new business might suit some of the beneficiaries, such expenditure might not be in the interests of others. We therefore have to endeavour to find the happy mean and to act so as to do the best for all.

We have placed ourselves in a position to be able to supply any description of life assurance that may be desired or that can be recommended. In particular I may, perhaps, mention that contracts whereby groups of persons, such as the employees of a firm, are provided *en bloc* with life assurance or pensions have absorbed a large amount of our technical energy and rewarded us with a considerable amount of business—not perhaps as much as we should have liked or some of our friends expected, but still quite a substantial amount.

INCREASE ON THE 1928 FIGURES

You will have observed that our new business this year has again exceeded that of previous years. At one time during the year we began to wonder whether this would be the case, particularly as our special single premium business showed a falling off. This falling off we rather anticipated, but the last few months of the year materially altered matters, with the result that you see; we have issued 1,746 more policies than in 1928 and the sums assured are £750,000 greater. The ordinary business has shown a steady expansion; it has again responded to the increasing effort that we put forward in the form of additional outdoor staff and increased branch and agency organization. Endowment assurance is still by far the most popular form of assurance, and, although we are continually advising proposers to make their assurances mature at a later rather than an earlier age, we are by no means apostles of the whole-life school with its attendant unfavourable comments that arise out of contracts continuing into advanced old age.

REVENUE ACCOUNTS

In looking at the accounts, one must continually bear in mind the effect during the last few years of our special single premium business. The premium income, the claims, the surrenders, and the expenses and commissions are all affected, as well as the distribution of the assets shown in the balance-sheet. Comparison of one year with another is thus difficult, but I will endeavour to make the figures clear.

The premium income again shows a large increase consequent upon the amount and nature of the new business. There is, of course, a continual drain on the income owing to assurances passing out of existence. Perhaps I may here say that the lapses, although larger than the previous year's and larger than we should prefer to see them, are by no means excessive when one bears in mind the size of our business and the difficult times through which thousands of our policyholders must have been passing. Our policyholders give evidence of their appreciation of the efforts we make to avoid lapses, and the cost involved in this service is amply repaid in the goodwill of the policyholder and the maintenance of the business on the books of the society.

INTEREST INCOME AND CLAIMS

The interest income increases with the business, but the rate of interest calculated on the ordinary formula required by the Assurance Companies Act shows a reduction compared with the previous year. The society's accounts have in the last few years been affected by abnormal influences arising from special contracts to which I have already referred; I am glad to be able to tell you that, if allowance be made for these factors, the net rate of interest earned this year is at least 2s. per cent. in excess of that of the previous year. I shall be commenting on the question of investments when I come to the balance-sheet; I will leave the interest item with the thought that it augurs well for the next bonus.

The claim item is abnormal. The deaths of three of our single premium policyholders assured for relatively large amounts causes the amount of our claims to appear large; the number of deaths that arose among our ordinary policyholders were, however, in excess of those of recent years. We have had a succession of very good years, but the cold winter of 1928-29 undoubtedly caused us losses that in less severe weather we should have avoided. Even so, the rate of mortality experienced by the society is very low and our without-medical-examination experience pursues its satisfactory way and causes us no anxiety.

The surrenders have followed a normal course apart from the effects caused by the altered circumstances of one of our wealthy policyholders who decided not to maintain his policy.

EXPENSES AND COMMISSIONS

The expenses are under constant consideration. The emoluments of our staff form by far the greater part of our expenses, and our executive and responsible officials are unceasing in their endeavours to increase staff efficiency. We find that this is one of our most difficult subjects, but I must say that our men as a whole respond most admirably to our endeavours and thereby greatly add to their own success as well as to that of the society.

Commissions are paid to agents for business that we obtain from their introductions, and to brokers and to other special agents for their services in bringing us business more or less ready for completion; other commissions are paid in connexion with the obtaining of the renewal income, but, as the various rates are practically standardized within narrow limits, our total commissions vary only with the size of the society's business.

At the end of the year we reorganized our staff superannuation arrangements. A pension fund has been constituted and vested in trustees. This fund will be independent of the society's funds, but will, of course, be watched over by our actuaries. A considerable saving in income-tax will ensue, and we shall obtain an advantage worth several thousands of pounds a year. This alteration does not affect the rates of pension to the staff, but merely the legal constitution of the fund. The annuity and sinking fund accounts and the gradually dying accident account pursue their uneventful way, and I need not delay over them.

BALANCE-SHEET: THE ASSETS

The balance-sheet, however, calls for comment. The liability side contains the usual items and requires no explanation other than a passing remark to explain that the item "Securities purchased for future settlement" is principally due to vendors' delay in completing investment purchases.

The assets are, however, our great responsibility, and you will like me to give you what information I can. I feel, though, that my duty in this matter is an easy one. We have already told you everything by offering you a full and detailed list of our investments, and this, coupled with the certificate on the balance-sheet to the effect that "the Stock Exchange securities stand within their aggregate market value," places you, I think, in complete possession of the facts.

You can yourselves analyse the assets in any way you see fit, but I may perhaps give you the following figures and comments:—

The loans on policies are, of course, very much under the influence of our single premium business.

The mortgages, small in amount and of a very select class, represent only 2½ per cent. of the total assets.

The investments, embracing what are usually known as the Stock Exchange assets, represent 50 per cent. of our assets.

The geographical distribution of the Stock Exchange securities embraces most of the countries of the world, but they are almost entirely held in sterling and dollar currency. We have little life assurance business in currencies other than sterling; hence we do not place the society's funds in foreign currency.

Great Britain embraces over 50 per cent. of our Stock Exchange securities, whereas in no other Colony or country is there more than 7 per cent.

Government securities of various countries represent nearly half of our total holdings, and of the remainder nearly half are in municipal or public utility loans.

The phases that we have passed through in the past year have afforded great opportunities for activity in investments, and when I tell you that the total of our purchases and sales during the year has exceeded £11,000,000 you will appreciate the effort that has been put into the management of the society's assets.

THE FINANCING OF INDUSTRY

The world of insurance is passing through a time of unrest, but I can at this meeting speak of life assurance only. Enterprise, competition, original ideas, are all welcome so long as they lead to healthy development. There is one phase, however, of which I think offices should beware. Last year I referred to the exhortations that life offices should invest in ordinary shares as distinguished from prior issues at fixed rates of interest. I observe that our friends in the United States have been authorized by their Government Department to invest to some degree in ordinary shares, and after what has happened in recent months one has the thought of wishing them luck and wondering how long the authority will remain.

Now, however, we seem to be getting beyond that and assurance companies are being called upon to "finance industry." This is assuming the form of taking large interests in certain industrial companies or groups of companies. If this becomes common, assurance companies will become financing institutions and the business of assurance will become of secondary importance and exist principally for the purpose of collecting money for use in the industrial financial world. An unduly large part of the assets may well become dependent upon one industry; in the event of such industry not flourishing, large losses may be made and the officials of the company be called upon to share the management of an industrial business of which they can have little knowledge. These financial transactions generally run into comparatively large figures and, although a few of the largest offices may be able to command the requisite expert knowledge and so face the difficulties, I fear that, if the smaller ones are led to follow suit, they will get into matters beyond their control.

THE PRIMARY BUSINESS OF INSURANCE COMPANIES

We have recently had some reminders from the Continent as to what may happen when insurance companies launch out into business that is not insurance, and I think that those responsible should take every care to bear in mind that the primary business of an insurance company is insuring, not financing. (Hear, hear.) Fire and casualty companies ought not to tie up their funds and life assurance companies are to a very large extent trustees of moneys for widows and orphans, or, at any rate, of savings for old age, and the companies ought not therefore to invest their moneys in any way that might prejudice the coming beneficiaries.

The earning of high rates of interest is necessary if large bonuses are to be maintained, and a perusal of our accounts and the published list of assets will prove that this is possible without departing from sound principles of investment. Plenty of activity can be exercised in the conduct of an investment department without investing in ordinary stocks and shares, or launching out in a manner that should not be undertaken without an expert knowledge of the economic positions of many trades. Mr. Holland Martin in his address as President of the Institute of Bankers a short time ago expressed the view that banks should not become shareholders in their customers' concerns, nor should they get themselves into a position of having to interfere with the conduct of their customers' business.

These remarks apply even more to insurance than to banking. Other writers and speakers have referred to the subject, and in an instructive article which appeared in a recent number of the *Bankers' Magazine* the writer discussed it under the heading of "The Right Use of Insurance Funds." I have not time to take you through the facts and opinions there given, but the contents of the article are of great interest to all connected with the business of insurance.

THE FUTURE—VOLUNTARY THRIFT

We have now passed in review the results of the past year. The nature of our business directs our attention to the future. That the society is prospering and is organized on the lines of future prosperity cannot, you will agree, be doubted. Our increasing business, favourable mortality, and economical management, together with the improvement in the interest yielded by our investments, should all, I think, indicate that those connected with the society can look at least to its holding its own in the life assurance world.

The future of life assurance as a whole is bound up with the habit of voluntary thrift. A few months ago there was held in this country an International Congress on Thrift. Many of the facilities existing for the practice of thrift were discussed and the Chancellor of the Exchequer referred to the immense sums held by the Savings Bank, Savings Certificates, building societies, and others, and he stated that the deposits in the various thrift organizations in this country amount to £1,500,000,000.

THE THRIFT CONGRESS

The Thrift Congress was, I believe, principally concerned with the small saver and his relations with the State, the building societies, and the savings banks; but life assurance companies are essentially institutions for the practice of thrift. Their funds amount to upwards of £800,000,000 and have been contributed for the purposes of provision for dependents or old age. The policyholders take practically all the profits earned by their funds, and I cannot imagine any better form in which persons could practise the habit of thrift. There is, however, a modern tendency to substitute group or non-individual saving for voluntary personal thrift. The State compels Health and Unemployment Insurance, and many employers now assure the lives of their staffs. In all these practices the voluntary habit is done away with, and to that extent the virtues of the conscious effort of thrift are lost. Persons being insured either under a State scheme or their employer's scheme are apt to consider themselves "covered," and there is no use any spare money either on the Stock Exchange or in amusement. The latter may often give more satisfaction than the former. (Laughter.)

In referring to those with spare money, I fear that very many will not admit that they ever possess any. Therefore I am going farther and contend that when a man considers his family budget he should not regard his life assurance payments as coming out of surplus but as one of his necessary expenses. "Cannot afford" is the most frequent reply to our overtures, and it is part of our business to educate others, and especially the young family man, to see the intrinsic importance of the subject. I am sure that if more thought were given to life assurance people would be far happier and better off.

TRIBUTE TO MANAGEMENT AND STAFF

I now come to an important and pleasing duty, and that is to convey to the management and staff the warm thanks of the shareholders and directors for their services during the past year.

As the years go by it is difficult for me to find fresh terms which are not extravagant in which to express what is in my mind. My daily association with Mr. Salmon and his immediate assistants convinces me of their ability, their wide outlook, and their unceasing interest in your affairs. I can assure you with pride from outside knowledge that the reputation of the Sun Life staff stands very high in the opinion of all those who come in contact with them. As I have told you before, it is my profound conviction that the success of this company depends, and will in the future depend more and more, on the skill and zeal of the management and the staff. Great qualities are required for successful leadership. These qualities are not learnt in a day—they are the result of long and arduous training. Such training is the essence of our life here, and in this year's report I hope you will agree you have seen some of the results. (Hear, hear.)

We are enthusiasts here for our cause, but I must restrain my enthusiasm on this occasion. We have further business to transact, and I would thank you for listening so patiently to my remarks. I will, therefore, now move a resolution: "That the report and accounts for the year ended December 31, 1929, be received," and I will ask Mr. Chaplin to second that.

Mr. FRANK CHAPLIN (deputy-chairman) seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously without question or comment.

The CHAIRMAN next moved the confirmation of the election of the two new directors, the Marquess of Londonderry, K.G., P.C., M.V.O., and Brigadier-General the Hon. A. V. F. V. Russell, C.M.G., M.V.O.

This was also seconded by Mr. CHAPLIN and unanimously approved.

Messrs. Gane, Jackson, Jefferys, and Freeman were reappointed auditors for the ensuing year on the motion of the CHAIRMAN, seconded by Mr. CHAPLIN.

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

The CHAIRMAN:—That, gentlemen, concludes our ordinary meeting. You will, however, have received notice of an extraordinary general meeting to be held to-day at 12.30. An alteration in the society's objects necessitates the passing of a special resolution at an extraordinary general meeting; hence the small amendment that we desire to make results in a somewhat elaborate proceeding.

The SECRETARY then read the notice convening the extraordinary general meeting.

The CHAIRMAN:—The alteration was explained in a note accompanying the notice of the meeting, but I may perhaps add that the trusteeships that we are anticipating arise out of such things as group assurances, children's assurances, certain assurances granted under the Married Women's Property Acts, &c. This is all very technical, and I think that I need not trouble you with further details. I want you to understand that we do not propose to transact ordinary trustee business, as we leave that to our sister office.

The resolution that I have to propose reads as follows: "That the provisions of Clause 3 of the Laws and Regulations of the Society with respect to its objects be altered by inserting therein after the words 'contingencies unconnected with life' the words following—namely, 'to undertake and execute any trusts the undertaking whereof may seem desirable, either gratuitously or otherwise.'"

Mr. CHAPLIN seconded the resolution, and it was carried unanimously.

The proceedings terminated with a cordial vote of thanks to the chairman, directors, and staff.

S.E. OFFICIAL LIST QUOTATIONS

The undermentioned securities have been ordered to be quoted in the Stock Exchange Official List:—

ASSOCIATED DYERS AND CLEANERS.—100,000 Six-and-a-Half per Cent. Cumulative Preference shares of £1 each, fully-paid, Nos. 400,001 to 500,000.

BRITISH INVESTMENT TRUST.—270,745 Five per Cent. Debenture stock.

GRAND JUNCTION COMPANY, LIMITED.—744,983 Ordinary shares of £1 each, fully-paid, Nos. 1 to 744,983; and 93,700 Six per Cent. Preference (Non-Cumulative) shares of £1 each, fully-paid, Nos. 1 to 93,700.

HUNGARIAN GENERAL CREDITBANK.—175,000 shares of 50 pengö each (registered certificates issued by N. M. Rothschild and Sons).

LONDON BRICK COMPANY AND FORDERS, LIMITED.—200,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each, fully-paid, Nos. 1,200,001 to 1,400,000.

RAILWAY AND GENERAL INVESTMENT TRUST, LIMITED.—£300,000 Ordinary stock; and £500,000 Five per Cent. Preference (Cumulative) stock.

ROUMANIA (KINGDOM OF).—£673 4s. Four-and-a-Half per Cent. Loan of 1913 Bonds of Schedule 2, Part II. of the Agreement of July 4, 1928.

RUBENS-REMBRANDT ASSOCIATED HOTELS.—£100,000 Five-and-a-Half per Cent. First Mortgage Debentures (Registered) of £100 each, fully-paid, Nos. 1 to 1,000.

THE STATE OF SAN PAULO COFFEE INSTITUTE.—£2,000,000 Seven-and-a-Half per Cent. Sterling Bonds, 1956, Nos. 52,901 to 72,300 (£100).

THE BENGAL & NORTH-WESTERN RAILWAY

CURRENT YEAR'S PROSPECTS SATISFACTORY

INDIAN RAILWAY POSITION

RETARDING EFFECTS OF GENERAL UNCERTAINTY

SIR HENRY BURT ON THE SITUATION

The ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Bengal and North-Western Railway Company, Limited, was held yesterday at the offices, 237 Gresham House, Old Broad-street, London, E.C.

Sir HENRY P. BURT, K.C.I.E., C.B.E., chairman of the company, presided.

The MANAGING DIRECTOR (Colonel W. R. Izat, D.S.O., R.E.) having read the notice convening the meeting and the report of the auditors,

The CHAIRMAN said:—Ladies and gentlemen,—In accordance with our usual procedure, I presume that the report, which has been circulated to all the proprietors, may be taken as read.

When I last had the pleasure of addressing you I said that the prospects for the year with which the report now deals, which ended on September 30 last, were not quite so satisfactory, and that the working expenditure was likely to be somewhat higher. That forecast has been borne out by results. As regards, however, the gross earnings for the entire system, the falling off has been relatively very small, amounting to only Rs.2 lakhs out of a total Rs.366.3 lakhs, and they are still higher by some Rs.3 lakhs than they were three years ago.

The decrease was entirely due to a reduction in our earnings from goods traffic and was confined for the most part to the first half of the year, and to the company's section. It may be ascribed generally to scarcity brought about by a partial failure of the monsoon and to a reduction in the coal rates on Government railways, which had to be followed on our system in order to retain the traffic to existing routes.

IMPROVED COACHING EARNINGS

The earnings from the coaching traffic of the system showed an improvement which may be looked upon as satisfactory, seeing that the attendance at Melas was adversely affected by the prevailing scarcity and the prevalence of cholera. It may be mentioned that there was a particularly noticeable increase as regards numbers carried in our intermediate class traffic.

Turning now to working expenses, there was an increase in our expenditure of Rs.11.16 lakhs, or about 8 per cent. This increase is accounted for to a considerable extent by the exceptional credit, amounting to Rs.7.28 lakhs, which was obtained last year, partly by refunding to revenue the unexpended balance of the provision made from our earnings for the restoration of the Gundak bridge, which, as you know, has had to be abandoned, and partly from the credit due to the return to stores of the girders and material of the bridge. The real increase in the expenditure is therefore about Rs.4 lakhs, which is spread over all the departments, the largest increase being in the carriage and wagon department, which was due mainly to the construction at the cost of revenue of 200 covered goods wagons in replacement of old stock.

RELATIVELY LOW WORKING PERCENTAGE

With this increase in our expenditure and the reduced gross earnings, the working percentage for the system has risen from 38.90 to 42.15, which is still, however, a relatively low figure compared with most of the other Indian railways.

The net earnings of the company realized £335,907, calculated at the new uniform rate of 1s. 6d. to the rupee. Last year the net earnings were converted at the old rate of 1s. 4d., and they then realized £847,237. There was then a considerable difference between the 1s. 4d. rate and the actual rate at which we were then able to remit from India, which represented a gain on the book rate of £100,837. This year the difference between the book rate of 1s. 6d. and the actual rate obtained for remittances has been against us, and has amounted to £6,199.

TOTAL NET EARNINGS

The total net earnings for the year have thus amounted to £829,708, against £948,074 in 1929. Making the necessary adjustments for income-tax, payment of Interim and Preference dividends, and providing £35,000 for the sinking fund, the amount to be dealt with to-day is £424,749. Out of this we recommend a dividend of 7 per cent., together with a bonus of 3 per cent., making for the whole year a total dividend and bonus of 19 per cent., which is the same as was paid last year. The balance to be carried forward will then be £158,499.

MOTOR COMPETITION COUNTERED

Leaving now the accounts of the company, there are a few matters of more general interest which I should like briefly to mention for your information. The competition which has arisen by the introduction of motor services is receiving constant attention, and we are meeting it with some success by increasing the numbers and speed of our trains. Fortunately for us the number of rivers in the districts we serve restricts the activities of the motor services, especially during the monsoon.

THE WAGON FERRY AT MOKAMEH

The final stage of the scheme for increasing the capacity of our wagon ferry at Mokameh will be completed when the floating dock, now being constructed in India, is launched. This has been designed in England, and it is interesting to record that it is the first dock of its kind to be used in India. Hitherto we have been dependent on primitive and intermittent makeshifts for carrying out repairs to our fleet, and it is hoped that we shall now be able to deal with the work much more rapidly and efficiently. A new steamer, three new wagon barges, and two shore flats have been put into service during the year, which will enable us to deal more expeditiously with the traffic crossing the Ganges.

As you are aware, the Mokameh ferry constitutes a most important link in our communications, and although the river conditions have been far from favourable this year, the increased capacity of the ferry has, so far, made it possible for the traffic to be handled without any serious interruption.

IMPROVED MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

The board have recently given considerable attention to a thorough reorganization of our medical department with a view to improving the health and well-being of our staff, and in pursuance of that policy we are engaging a more highly paid and more competent subordinate medical staff, and are providing up-to-date hospitals at Gorakhpur and Samastipur. There has been an unfortunate delay on the part of the railway board in sanctioning the estimates for these new buildings, but we have just heard that the necessary sanction has at last been received, and the construction of the hospitals can now be proceeded with.

Paragraph 13 of the report tells you that while good progress is being made with the Mashrak-Thawe extension, there is no prospect that funds will be allotted this year for the Chakia-Sidhwalia extension. Only a few years ago we were led to believe that, with the separation of the railway accounts from the general finances of India, ample funds would be forthcoming for a very rapid expansion of the railway communications of the country, the construction of which had for so long been delayed.

LACK OF FUNDS FOR RAILWAY PROGRAMMES

An ambitious programme for new mileage was prepared, estimates were sanctioned, and funds allotted. There was to be no further postponement of works once started with its consequent loss. This effort on the part of the Government of India to bring about a much-needed reform expired almost at its birth, and to-day we see a ruthless withdrawal of grants already promised, construction staff dismissed, and a stoppage of construction programmes. In common with all other railways we are suffering from this breakdown of a policy which we had every expectation would remove the financial difficulties experienced in the past as regards the provision of funds.

INDIA'S NEED OF TRANSPORT EXTENSION

It is not only the development of railways which is thereby affected but that of the country itself, as in my view there is no greater need at present for the economic progress of India than the extension of its railway communications. So far as our system is concerned, its development is further arrested by the uncertainty surrounding the question as to the Secretary of State's intention in regard to the possible termination of our contract in 1932.

I have explained to you on previous occasions that the company cannot, in existing circumstances, provide capital for further extensions, as in the brief period now possibly remaining to us there is no assurance that we could secure any return on the outlay. We are now nearing the latest date—namely, December 31 next year—when the Secretary of State has to disclose his intention as regards the acquisition of our property, but, in the interests of both parties to the contract, it is hoped that his decision will not be delayed until the last moment.

THE LABOUR SITUATION

According to our latest advices from India the prospects for the current year are, I am glad to say, satisfactory. While, however, our earnings are likely to expand, I am afraid that, in common with all other Indian railways, we shall have to face an increase in our working expenses, especially as regards the cost of our staff. Labour questions have bulked largely in India during the year. The final decisions connected with the application of the Washington and Geneva Conventions to Indian railways have still to be arrived at.

Although it is generally recognized that the conventions can be made applicable to railway working only by a reasonable elasticity in their interpretation, there can be no doubt that their adoption, even with the modifications needed to meet the conditions of the railway services, will add considerably to our expenditure.

UNREPRESENTATIVE CHARACTER OF INDIAN TRADE UNIONS

The Trades Union Act is now in operation in India, and has necessitated a more extended recognition by railways of trade unions. In this country trade unions are genuinely representative of the workers. Unfortunately, however, the unions in India are at present very largely controlled and led by outsiders unconnected with the railway employees, and their activities are not primarily directed towards promoting the true interests of our staff.

In this connexion it must be remembered that we have now an increasing number of railway administrations entirely controlled and worked by the State, and the State has become an employer of a huge labour force. The experience of other countries where the nationalization of railways has taken place has been that the Government has not apparently been able effectively to resist the pressure of labour demands, and that experience is likely to be repeated in India, unless the Government profits by the lessons before it.

SUBORDINATE STAFF'S IMPROVED PAY

So far as this railway is concerned, the question of the pay of our subordinate staff is one which receives the constant attention of the agent and the heads of departments in India, and very considerable improvements have been made in their pay during the last few years, which in many cases show an increase of 100 per cent. compared with the pay drawn in 1914. We are advised that their prospects compare very favourably with others working in the neighbouring districts, and we have every confidence that our employees, if they are not misled by agitators, will remain contented with the conditions under which they serve us. The Whitley Commission is now investigating the many difficult and important labour questions which the changing conditions in India have brought about during recent years. Their report will be awaited with considerable interest, and it is hoped that the Commission will be able to solve many of the labour problems which now confront India.

THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY

I am afraid that the general situation in India, so far as it is influenced by political excitement, has occasioned disquiet among those at home who have investments in that country, but it is naturally a subject which I have a considerable, and I hope a pardonable, hesitation in dealing with to-day. I venture to think that the uncertainty as to the shape which constitutional development in India will take, which can be settled only by the British Parliament, the final arbiter, is as much responsible for the fall in the credit of the Government of India as the recent wild utterances of Congress extremists.

It will be difficult to raise capital for India in the future until such views as those to which I have referred are repudiated by moderate opinion, and it is possible that this company may feel the effect, with others, of such conditions.

At present, however, our own financial position remains unaffected, and, as I have told you, our prospects for the current year are quite satisfactory.

SERVICES OF THE STAFF

In conclusion, I should like to say that our thanks are again due to our staff of all ranks in India and to the staff of our London office who, by their zeal and efficiency, have maintained the best traditions of the railway. (Cheers.)

I now beg to move: "That the report of the directors dated January 18, 1930, together with the audited statement of accounts and balance-sheets for the year ended September 30, 1929, be and they are hereby received, approved, and adopted."

Sir LEONARD L. COHEN, K.C.V.O., seconded the resolution, which, after the CHAIRMAN had replied to a few questions, was unanimously adopted.

The CHAIRMAN next moved: "That a final dividend of £7 per cent. and a bonus of £3 per cent. for the six months ended September 30, 1929, on the Ordinary stock of the company, less income-tax, be and the same are hereby declared, making, with the ad-interim dividend of £4 and a bonus of £5 per cent. paid on July 29, 1929, a total dividend of £19 per cent. for the year ended September, 1929."

Mr. EDWARD CHRISTIAN seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

Lt.-Col. T. GRACEY, R.E., moved the re-election of Sir H. P. Burt, one of the retiring directors.

Sir GEORGE H. SUTHERLAND seconded the resolution, which was unanimously adopted.

The CHAIRMAN proposed the re-election of Mr. Edward Christian, the other retiring director.

The Rt. Hon. Lord MESTON, K.C.S.I., seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

The auditors, Messrs. Cooper Brothers and Company, and Messrs. Gerard Van de Linde and Son were reappointed.

Mr. RIXON moved a vote of thanks to the chairman and directors, and to the agent and the staff in India and England, for their services during the past year. He said they were very grateful to the board for their unremitting attention to the affairs of the company and were quite confident that their interests would be safeguarded in 1932.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

MINING AND OIL NEWS

RANDFONTEIN ESTATES GOLD.—Cablegram dated January 28:—"Employees called strike off and resumed work this morning."

CITY DEEP.—Report for quarter ended December 31 states that working revenue was lower as the result of the heavy decline of .383dwt. per ton in the yield and the working loss for the quarter was greater by £6,040 at £37,992. Development was temporarily curtailed whilst efforts were concentrated on increasing stope tonnage. The ore reserve as at December 31, which is now being calculated, will be announced during February.

MOUNT LYELL MINING AND RLY.—Cablegram:—"North Mount Lyell Mine crosscut No. 1 off north drive 1,300ft. level traversed 7ft. maximum grade ore then 7ft. good grade bornite ore. This is downward continuation No. 53 stope, and though not likely of large extent indicates existence of good grade ore 1,900ft. level."

CALTEX OIL.—Production from subsidiary companies for December was 1,987 barrels.

VENEZUELAN OIL CONCESSIONS.—Production in the Bolivar district for the week ended January 25 amounted to 119,718 metric tons, while in the Maracaibo district 6,936 metric tons were produced. Well L8,133 at Lagunillas has been brought in producing 55 metric tons per day through a 2-8th in. flow plug with 350lb. pressure.

HECTOR WHALING.—Catch for week ended January 26 amounted to 11,100 barrels (tasalots 4,700 barrels for the corresponding week previous season).

PROVINCIAL ELECTRIC SUPPLY ASSOCIATION

MATTERS AFFECTING THE INDUSTRY

SIR HARRY RENWICK'S REVIEW

The ELEVENTH GENERAL MEETING of the Provincial Electric Supply Association was held yesterday at the Holborn Restaurant.

Mr. K. A. SCOTT MONCRIEFF presided in the unavoidable absence of the chairman of the association, Sir Harry Renwick, Bt., K.B.E.

The meeting was preceded by luncheon, and Mr. SCOTT MONCRIEFF read the speech prepared by Sir Harry Renwick, which dealt with questions arising from Parliamentary matters affecting the electrical industry and the activities of the association upon the various schemes adopted by the Central Electricity Board under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1926. He dealt particularly with the question of standardization of frequency under those schemes, and he expressed the hope that the Central Board would afford greater assistance to the smaller undertakings in this respect.

RATING AND VALUATION ACT, 1925

Sir Harry next dealt fully with the operation of the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925, and the heavy increases in assessments (in some cases as high as 700 per cent.) experienced by all electricity supply companies, and gave instances of the cost of extra rating amounting to between ½d. and ¾d. per unit on every unit sold. He emphasized the fact that while the companies are being burdened each year with higher costs, they are being forced to make reductions in rates for supply.

He said that the association was following closely the provisions of the Coal Mines Bill now before Parliament, the effect of which must increase the coal costs of public utility undertakings.

In dealing with the litigation which the association had undertaken on behalf of the member companies, he referred particularly to the case of the Attorney-General v. the London and Home Counties Joint Electricity Authority, under which judgment the Bill which the joint authority had promoted in Parliament for the transfer of purchase rights, at present in the hands of local authorities, to the joint authority had to be withdrawn as the High Court found that each set of clauses was outside the powers of the joint authority. He deplored the want of harmonious working and cooperation between the joint electricity authority and the local authorities and the companies.

SERVICES TO MEMBER COMPANIES

After treating with a large number of other important matters concerning the electric supply industry, Sir Harry dealt with the many

STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

SETTLEMENT DATES

Ticket	Feb. 4	Feb. 18	Mar. 4
Pay-day	Feb. 6	Feb. 20	Mar. 6

BRITISH FUNDS, &c.

Highest and Lowest, 1929	Name of Security	Closing Prices	Rise or Fall
56⅝ 52	Consols, 2½% ..	54 54¼	..
68⅝ 61⅝	Do. 4%	62⅝ 63	..
103¼ 99⅞	War Loan, 5% ..	100⅛ 101	..
101⅞ 99½	Do., 4%	101¼ 101½	..
91¼ 82½	Fdg. Loan, 4% ..	86⅝ 86⅝	..
95½ 90	Victory, 4%	93¼ 93½	..
95⅛ 90	Do., Sm. Bds. ..	93⅝ 93⅝	..
80¼ 72⅞	Conversion, 3½% ..	75⅝ 75⅝	..
100 93	Do., 4½%	95⅝ 95⅝	..
100⅜ 99⅛	Treas., 5½% '50	100¼ 100⅜	..
101⅛ 97¾	Do., 5% '33-35	101 101¼	+⅛
100 96⅞	Do., 4½% '30-32	99⅛ 100	..
98⅛ 94⅞	Do., 4½% '32-34	99 99¼	..
97⅛ 93⅞	Do., 4% '31-33	97¼ 98	..
60¼ 55	Irish Land, 2¾%	56 57	..
66 60¼	Do., 3%	61⅛ 62½	..
65⅜ 59	Local Loans, 3%	61⅞ 62⅛	..
84¾ 80	Do., 2½%	77⅝ 78	..
266 239	Bank of England	248 251	..
82⅞ 77¼	Egyptian, 5% ..	80 82	..
71¾ 60	India, 5%	59½ 61⅛	+2½
61¼ 50½	Do., 3%	50¼ 52½	+2½
51¾ 44	Do., 2½%	42 44	+2
101⅞ 98	Do., 4% '31-33	98¼ 99¼	+¼
92¾ 80¼	Do., 4% '35-55	81 83½	+1
109 103⅛	Sudan, 5½% ..	105¼ 106¼	..
66⅝ 60	Ldn. Cty., 3% ..	62 65	..
76¼ 70	Do., 3½%	72 75	..
104⅝ 99¼	Do., 5% '45-60	100½ 101½	..
104¼ 100	Corp of Ldn., 3%	100½ 101½	..
63¾ 59	Met. Water, "B"	63½ 64½	..
67 58¾	Do., "A" ..	62½ 63½	..
85⅛ 81	Met. Cons., 3%	82½ 83½	..
75⅜ 67½	Do., 2½% ..	68½ 69½	..
64 58	Pr. of Lond., 3%	.. ..	..
.. ..	"A"	.. ..	..
83¼ 76¼	Do., 4% "B"	78 79	..
100¾ 93	Do., 4½% ..	94 95	..

DOMINION AND COLONIAL

103½ 98	Aust., 5% '41-71	97¾ 98¼	..
99⅛ 90½	Do., 5% '45-75	85½ 86½	+½
91¾ 86¼	Can., 5% '40-60	88 88½	..
83¾ 78⅝	Do., 3½% '50-70	81½ 82	+¼
95¼ 91⅛	Cape, 4% '16-36	94½ 95	..
82⅝ 78¾	Do., 3½% '29-49	80½ 81	..
81⅞ 76⅛	Do., 3% '53-73	79¾ 80¼	..
113⅝ 108⅜	G.Cst.,4½% '45-70	106¾ 109¼	..
104¼ 99	Kenya, 4½% '45-68	99¾ 100¼	..
85½ 81⅝	Natal,3½% '34-44	82¼ 82⅝	..
76⅞ 72½	Do., 3% '29-49	74¼ 74¾	..
88 83¼	N.S.W., 5% '55	82 83	+½
77 69¼	Do., 4% '50-65	65 66	+½
94¾ 90⅛	Do., 4% 1933	90½ 91	..
99½ 88¼	Do., 5% '45-65	85 86	..
102 92	Do.,5½% '47-57	88¾ 89½	..
104 98¼	N.Zeal., 5% '46	100½ 101	..
97⅛ 89¼	Do., 4½% '45	94 94½	..
89½ 82⅛	Do., 4% '43-63	82½ 83	..
88⅝ 84⅜	Do., 3½% '40	85¼ 85¾	−¼
80⅝ 74⅞	Do., 3% 1945	78 78½	..
104½ 98½	Nig., 5% '47-57	100½ 101	..
100 89	Qld., 5% '40-60	86 87	+½
84 73¾	Do., 4% 1933	77½ 78	..
104¼ 98⅛	S.Af., 5% '45-75	71¾ 72⅝	+½
90 81½	Do., 4% '45-63	84½ 85	..
93 89	S.Aust.,5% '45-75	85 86	..
102⅝ 97⅞	S.Rd.,5% '34-49	99¼ 100¼	..
85⅞ 79½	Tas'a, 3½% 1940	77 78	..
99½ 89	Vic., 5% '45-75	85 86	..
79¼ 70	Do.,3½% '29-49	66 67	..
99⅝ 91	W.Aus.5% '45-75	85 86	..
90⅜ 86	Do.,3½% '20-50	84½ 85½	..
81⅜ 72	Do., 4% '42-62	69½ 70½	..

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT

Making-up Prices Jan. 20	Name of Security	Closing Prices	Rise or Fall
83¾	Arg., 4% Resistencion	83¼ 84⅛	..
80¾	Do., 4% 1900	80½ 81⅛	..
92⅛	Do., Port Cap. 5%	91½ 92½	..
105	Austrian, 6% ..	102 103	−½
109½	Belgian, 7%	109 110	..
90½	Berlin (City of), 6%	90 91	..
49½	Brazil, 4% 1889	50½ 51¼	+½
52½	Do., 4% Rescission	53½ 54¼	..
61¼	Do., 5% 1913	63¼ 64¼	..
51⅝	Do., 5% 1914	53¼ 54¼	..
80¼	Do., 5% 1914	76½ 77½	+½
87½	Do., 6½% 1927	82½ 83½	..
84¼	Buenos Aires, 3½%	55¼ 56¼	−¼
77½	Bulgaria, 7%	79 81	..
86	Chile, 6% 1926	95½ 96½	..
76¼	Do., 5% 1911	85 87	..
104⅝	Do., 5½% 1922	102 104	..
99	Chinese, 5% 1896	98½ 99½	..
78⅛	Do., 4½% 1898	80 81	..
46¼	Do., 5% 1912	47 48	..
60½	Do., 5% 1913	60½ 61½	..
22	Do., Shanghai-K. 5%	59 61	..
22	Do., Tientsin-P., 5%	59 61	..
27	Do., Hukuang, 5% ..	26 30	..
111	Czechoslovakia, 8%	110½ 111½	..
77	Egyptian Unified ..	78 80	..
21¼	Estonia, 7%	20⅞ 21⅜	..
19⅞	Do., 4%	20⅞ 21⅜	..
104½	Mldl. 6%	19⅜ 20¼	..
105	Nord, 6%	105¼ 106¼	..
104⅜	Orleans, 6%	105¼ 106¼	..
105	P.L.M., 6%	105¼ 106¼	..
106¼	Seine (Dept. of), 7%	105¼ 106¼	..
106¼	German, 7%	106¼ 107¼	..
57	Greek Monopoly, 4%	56 57	..
74⅛	Do., 5% 1914	74 76	..
101¼	Do., 7% Refugee	101 102	..
99⅜	Do., 6% Stabilization	89¼ 90¼	..
103¼	Hungarian, 7½% ..	103 104	..
17¾	Italian, 5%	17¼ 18¼	..
100½	Do., Cdt. Consort. "B"	101 101¼	..
73	Japan, 4% 1899 ..	73 74	..
93½	Do., 5% 1907	89¾ 90¾	..
99⅛	Do., 6% 1924	99 100	..
90⅝	Tokyo (City of), 5½%	91 92	..
22	Mexican, 5%	21 23	−½
78	Peru, 6% 1928 ..	80 82	+½
88⅛	Polish, 7%	87 89	+½
42	Portugal, 3% 1st Ser.	42 43	+¼
46½	Roumania, 4% Cons.	46¾ 47¾	+¼
5⅜	Russian, 4% 1889 ..	5 5	..
4	Do., 5% 1906	4 4	..
102	Siamese, 6% 1924 ..	102½ 103½	..
18¾	Turkish, 4% Unified	18¼ 19¼	..
66	Uruguay, 5½% ..	66 67	..
—	Do., 4%	.. ..	..
111⅜	Peruvian Corp. ..	11 11⅜	−¼
52¾	Do., Pref.	51¼ 53½	−¼
104½	German Potash, 7%	104½ 105½	..
81½	San Paulo Coffee, 7½%	82 83	+½

BRITISH RAILWAYS

92¾	Great Western ..	91¼ 92	−¼
—	Do., 4% Deb. ..	78¾ 79¼	−¼
—	Do., 5% Gtd. ..	95½ 96½	−¼
—	Do., 5% Pref. ..	91½ 92½	−¼
55¾	L. Mid. and Scottish	54¼ 55	−¼
—	Do., 4% Deb. ..	76¼ 77¼	−¼
—	Do., 4% Gtd. ..	75½ 76½	−¼
—	Do., 4% Pref. ..	70¾ 71¾	−¼
12¾	L. and N. East., Def.	12 12½	..
37¼	Do., Prefd. ..	35¾ 36¾	..
—	Do., 5% Deb. ..	57¾ 58¾	−¼
—	Do., 4% 1st Gtd.	73½ 74½	−¼
—	Do., 4% 1st Pref.	66¾ 67¾	−¼
—	Do., 4% 2nd Pref.	59¾ 60¾	−¼
66	Metropolitan	63¼ 63¾	..
74	Met. Dist.	68¼ ..	..
80¼	Southern, Def. ..	73¾ 74¾	+¼
75¾	Do., Prefd.	29⅜ 29⅞	..
—	Do., 4% Deb. ..	72½ 73½	−¼
—	Do., 5% Gtd. ..	76¼ 77¼	−¼
—	Do., 5% Pref. ..	95½ 96½	−¼
23/9	Underground, £1 ..	22/10½ 23/4½	−1½d
109	Do., Income	107 109	−½

FOREIGN AND COLONIAL RAILWAYS

83	Antofagasta Cons. ..	81 85	..
—	Argentine Gt. Western	81 85	..
—	Argentine N. Eastern	28¼ 29¼	..
99½	B.A. Gt. Southern ..	99¾ 100¾	..
87½	B.A. and Pacific ..	86½ 87½	..
82½	B.A. Western	81¼ 82¼	..
204	Canadian Pacific ..	204 205	−1¼
87	Central Argentine ..	86½ 87½	..
77½	Central Uruguay ..	76 78	..
23½	Cordoba Central ..	21 23	..
40	Do., 2nd Pref. ..	37 40	..
29	Costa Rica	26 30	..
84½	Entre Rios	82 89	..
—	Ist. Cent. America ..	84½ 85¼	..
51¼	Leopoldina	29 33	..
8	Mexican, 1st Pref.	5 10	..
4½	Nitrate (Bearer) ..	4⅝ 4⅞	..
188	San Paulo	185 189	..
23	United of Havana ..	22½ 24½	..

BANKS AND DISCOUNT COMPANIES

Security	Closing Prices	Rise or Fall	Security	Closing Prices	Rise or Fall
Ag. of Egypt	7⅜	..	Lloyds, A...	63/0	..
Alexanders	8¼	..	Martins	7⅛	..
Anglo-S. Am.	6½	..	Merc. Ind., C	13¼	..
Bk. of Aust.	10⅛	−⅛	Midland, £1	78/6*	..
B. Ld. & S.A.	1⅝	..	Do.	£12	..
Bk. of Mtl. ..	65	..	(£5 10s. pd.)	91⅛	..
Bk. of N.S.W.	37⅞	..	National	9	..
Bk. of N.Z.	57/0	..	Nat. Dist. B.	9⅝	..
Barclays, A. ..	81⅛	..	Nat. Egypt ..	33¼	..
Do., B	54/0*	..	Nat. India ..	43	..
Do., D.C.O.	26/9*	−3d	Nat. Prov. £4	12⅛	..
Brown, Shipley	55	..	Nat. of Can.	65	..
Cas. Com. ..	55	..	Stand. B.A.	14⅝	+⅛
Chart. India	17¼	..	Un. of Aust.	10⅜	..
District	5⅝	..	Un. Discount	9⅛	−⅛
Eng. S. & A.	6⅝	..	Westminster	76/9	..
Hambros	9	..	Do., £1 ..	50/3	..
Hongkong ..	114	..	Wms. Dens.A	42/6*	−6d

INSURANCE

Alliance, New	19⅛	−⅛	Nthn. Assur.	16⅝	..
Atlas Assur.	13¼	..	Phoenix, f.p.	14½	..
Britannic ..	15½	..	Prudential ..	21⅝	..
Cons. Union	24¾	+⅛	Do., " B " ..	39/0	..
Eagle Star ..	12	..	Royal	8⅛	−⅛
Eagles, Lf'b	75/0	−3d	R. Exchange	6½	..
Gen. Accdt.	15	..	Scottish, "A"	16⅝	..
Guardian ..	10⅝	..	Sea	75/0	..
Ldn. and Ed.	27⅝	+⅛	Sun Insur. ..	38	..
Ldn. Assur.	1⅜	..	Sun Life ..	53½	+⅛
N. Brit. & M.	34½	+⅛	Yorksh'e(50/-)	6⅝	..

TEXTILE AND CHEMICAL

Amal. Cotton	0/9	Engl. Cotton	27/6*	..
Bleachers ..	21/3	−6d	Fleshpinners	27/0	..
Borax. Def.	19/6	..	Hoyle, £1 ..	3/0	..
Brad. Dyers	27⅝	+⅛	Imp. Chem.	27/1½	+1d
Brit.Col'rpose	7⅝	+3d	Do., Defd.	8/7½	−1d
Do.,2nd Pf.	10/9	+3d	Jute Ind., Pf.	51/3	..
S. Cot. Dyers	5/9	..	Lewis Thread	1/6	..
Brit. Enka. ..	3⅜	..	Lister	16/6	−3d
Calico Print.	15/3	..	Patons & B.	23/9	−6d
Can.Celanese	2¼	..	Sylands	22/6	..
Ct'rs'nAmer.	6¾	..	Salt Union ..	11⅝	..
Coats	65/3	..	Salts (W'ns)	3/0	..
Cook, Son ..	10/6	..	Sois (Vacuum	13/6	+1d
Courtaulds ..	21⅜	+⅛	Wardle&Dev	2	..

ELECTRICAL POWER AND EQUIPMENT

Am. Elec. In.	27/0	−6d	Hydro Elec.	44	+1
Atlas	27/1½	−1d	Johnson & Ph	35/6	..
Barcelona Tn.	31	..	Metro. Elec.	59/3	..
B'mouth&Pd	62/3	..	Mex.Lt.&Pow.	71	+1
Brazil Tract.	41¼	+2¼	Do., 1st Pf.	72	..
Brit. Insul'd	37⅜	..	Mid.Counties	27/9	..
Bwnk Elec.	127	..	Newc'le Elec.	24/0	..
Callender's ..	51½	..	Perak River	11/6	..
City of Lond.	32/5	..	Sienens ..	25/6	..
County Lond.	46/0	..	Teleg. Const.	26½	+1½
Distrib. Elec.	6/0	..	Vic. Falls ..	5⅞	+1½
Elec. Rlwy.	45/9	+3d	Whitehall, Pf.	24½	−1d
Hanley's Ltd.	6⅛	..	Yorkshire ..	32/6	−3d

MISCELLANEOUS

A. & E. Trad.	16/3	+3d	Imp. Smell,
Am. Dentl. Df	4/3	..	Imperial Tob.
Apollinaris ..	9/6	..	Imp. Tob. Can
Assd. Cement	26/0	..	Ind. Nickel
Austin, B Pf.	14/9	..	Krueger & T.
Bovril, Def.	39/0	..	Lever. 7% Pf.
Brit. Alum.	24½	−1d	Leyland, M.
Brit. Am. Tb.	5⅛	−⅛	London Brick
Britt. Match	26⅜	−3d	Manbr'd. Df.
Brit. Oil Cake	32/6	..	Marconi Mar.
Brit. Port. Cm.	2⅛	..	Do., Can. ..
Brit. Ropes	3/6	..	Marg. Union
Cab & W "B"	54½	−1	Mather & P.
Du. 7½% 'A'	77⅛	−½	Natrn.M.& G.
Do. 5½% Pf.	98¼	..	Napier .. ..
Carreras, "A"	97⅛	−⅛	P. & O. Def.
Col. Graph..	51⅛	−⅛	Phillips (G.)
Crittall	1½	..	Pinchin J'son
Cr.& Bl., 1 Pf.	12⅜	+3d	Prim. B'dgs.
Cunard St'm	22/0	−6d	Rolls-Royce
Dennis Bros.	2⅛	+⅛	Rover (6-) ..
Dunlop Rbr.	13/0	+1d	Royal Mail ..
E.Roady'D.B.	17/-	−3d	Singer .. ..
Finlay, Jas.	7⅛	−⅛	Sm.& Arg Mt.
Parsons, W.	56/0	..	Sth. Met. Gas
Gas Lt. & C.	18/10½	+1d	Spillers ..
Gaumont Br.	15/3	+1/7½	S.T.D., Pref.
Globe Tel.	2¾	..	Swed.Match.B
Gramophone	4⅛	−⅛	Turner & N'l
Guy Motors	17/6	..	Utd. Dairies
Harrisons&C.	9⅝	..	Un. Molasses
Imp. Airways	21/0	+3d	Utd. Tob.(8.)
Imp. Con. Gas	380	+10	Wall Paper D.

COAL, IRON, AND STEEL

Amal. A'th'te	6/6	−1d	Howard & B.
Armstrong	0/8	..	Lambert ..
Babcock&W.	59/6	..	Pease & Pins.
Baldwins ..	3/3	..	Platt Bros.
Bengal	9/6	..	Powell, Duff.
B.S.A.	10/9	+3d	Ritchd. West.
Bolsover	17/0	..	Ruston & H.
Brown(John)	3 3/4	..	S. Speakman
Cammell Ld.	2 7/8	..	Staveley ..
Consett	10/0	..	Stew.& L. Def.
Cory (Wm.)	58/6	..	S. Durham
Dorman Long	6/6	..	Swan, Hunter
Ebbw Vale ..	1/6	..	Tata Deb. ..
Guest, Keen	35/9	..	Thomas, R.
Hadfields ..	9/9	..	Vickers ..
Harld.& W.P.	10/9	..	Weardale, Df.
Hopkinson ..	36/3	..	Yk.Am.A&D

BREWERIES

Allsopp ..	23/6	..	Ind, Coope..
Bass, Ratcl.	66/6	..	Meux's ..
Benskin's ..	33/0	..	Mitch's & B.
C.of Lon.Def.	3/3	..	S. Africa ..
Courage	63/6	..	Taylor Wkr.
Distillers ..	67/9*	+3d	Threlfalls ..
Guinness ..	104/0	−6d	Walker P.&C.
Hoare	64/6*	..	Watney, Def.

STORE, CATERING, AND HOTEL

Atrated B...	17/6	..	Lewis Ptg.Pf.
Army & N.	39/0	..	Lipton .. ..
Barker	65/0	−6d	Lyons, "A" ..
Boot'sPure D.	5⅝	..	Maple .. ..
Carlton	36/9	..	Map. & Webb
Debenhams ..	9/6	..	Maypole, Def.
Gordon Hts.	14/9	..	Savoy Hotel
Harrods	70/9	..	Selfridge, Pf.
Harrid'(B.A.)	19/0	..	Spiers&P.
House&C.	4/0	..	Waring & G.
Internat. Tea	21/0	..	Whiteley ..

FINANCIAL, LAND, &c.

Arg. Ld. Inv.	39/6	..	Dalgety ..
Arg. Sthn. Ld.	23/0	..	Imperial ..
Aust. Est. M.	50	..	Goldsbr., Mt.
Aust. Mre. f.p.	7	..	Hudson's B.
Brit. N. Bor.	7/6	..	Kasala Cot.
Cty. Ld. Real	18/3	−3d	N.Z.L. & M.
Cordova ..	1/6	..	Sudan Plants

RUBBER

Allied Sum.	14/3	..	L. Asiatic ..
An.-Dutch ..	52/3*	+3d	Lamut .. ..
An.-Java ..	2/10½	..	Malacca ..
An.-Malay ..	3¼	..	Malayalam ..
Bah Lias ..	1⅛	..	Mendaris ..
Bajoe Kidoel	1 11/16	..	Merlimau ..
Balu Tiga ..	1¼	..	Pataling ..
Bertam Cons.	4 7/8	..	Perak .. ..
Bukit Mert'm	2/10½	..	Rembau-Jelei
Castlefield ..	4/5	..	Rubber Tst.
Cons. Malay	4/6	..	Sarawak ..
Duff Devt. ..	2/3	+1½d	Selangor Un.
E. Asiatic ..	2/3	+1½d	Scnsah ..
Grand Cent.	1⅝	..	Slalang ..
Gula Kalumpg	1 1/16	−1/16	Straits Rbr.
Highlands ..	1⅜	..	Sum. Para..
Java Invest.	1 1/32	..	Tandjong ..
Java United	1⅜	..	Tanjong Mal.
Jugra & Carey	14/6	..	Telogorodjo
Kapar Para	1⅝	..	U. Serdang ..
Kuala Lump.	1⅞	..	U. Sua B'tg
Labut	1 9/16	..	U. Sumatra
Lanadron ..	15/0	..	U. Temiang
Linggi	1⅛	..	Vallambrosa

TEA

Amal. Est. ..	19	+⅛	East Prod...
An.-Ceylon. ..	1 25/32	..	Empire ..
Assam Co. ..	30/3*	+3d	Equator ..
Assam Front.	19/9	..	Imperial Tea
Bengal Ta'wa	31/32*	..	Jhanzie ..
Brahmap'tra	27⅛	..	Jokai .. ..
Brit. Indian	2⅛	..	Jorehaat ..
Budla Beta ..	3⅛	..	Lanka Plant.
Carolina ..	3⅛	..	Lebong ..
Ceylon Plant.	4 3/32	..	Lungla ..
Chargola ..	10/6	..	Makum ..
Chubwa	3¼	..	Nedeem ..
Cons. T. & L.	2 1/4	..	NewDimbula
Darjeeling ..	2⅝	..	Nuwara Eliya
Darj. Cons. ..	2 23/32	..	Pabbojan ..
Deundil	16/10	..	Scot. Tea &L.
Doomsa	41/3	..	Singlo .. ..
DoomDooma	3⅜	..	Travancore ..
East Assam ..	3 15/32	..	Upper Assam

OIL

A.-American	3½	..	Lobitos ..
A.-Ecuador ..	1/32	..	Mex. Eagle ..
A.-Egypt, B	2 17/32	+1/32	Do., 7% Pf.
A.-Persian ..	3⅞	..	Phoenix, £1 sh
Apex Trin. ..	1 5/16	..	R. Dutch ..
Attock	1 5/16	..	Shell .. ..
Brit. Burmah	6⅜	..	Spies (2/-) ..
Brit. Cont'l. Pf	5/10½	..	Steaua Rom.
Burmah	3¾	..	Trinidad C. ..
Canad. Eagle	12/6	+3d	Trinidad L. ..
Do., 7% Pf.	12/3	..	U. Brit. Trin.
Crook	1/32	..	Ural Caspian
Kern River ..	6/0	..	V.O.C., Ord.

NITRATE

Aguas Blanc.	6d.	..	Liverpool ..
Alianza	4½	..	New Tamgl.
Brit.&S. Pac.	15/16	−1/16	Pan d'Azucar
Lantaro, Pf.	27⅛	..	Rosario ..
Do. Delaware	8	+⅛	Tarapaca ..

SOUTH AFRICAN MINES

Af.& Europ'n	17/0	..	Modder, Deep
Anglo-Amer.	1⅛	..	Modder, East
An.-French ..	1 1/16	..	Mozambique
Brakpan	3 9/16	..	New Jagers.
C.Mining, Br.	18¾	−¼	New Modder.
City Deep. ..	7/6	..	New State A.
Cons. Dmds.	11/3	..	Nourse .. ..
Cons.O. Fds.	2 1/16	..	Randf'n E.
Cons. M. R.	16/0	..	Rand Mines
Cons. M. Sel.	17/6	−3d	Rand Select.
Crown	3 9/32	..	Rob. Deep, B
Daggafontein	1⅛	−1/32	S.A.Gold Tst.
De Beers, D.	9⅞	+1/16	S.A. Town.
Durban Deep	10/0	..	S.W. Africa
East Geduld	1⅞	−1/32	Springs ..
East. Rand.	11/6	..	Sub Nigel ..
Geduld	3⅛	+1/16	T. Cons. Lds.
Gen. Mining	2 5/32	..	Union Corp.
Govt. Areas	1¼	..	V. Ryn, Deep
J'b'gCnsl'd	44/0	..	Vereen'g Est.
Langlaagte	22/0	−3d	Village Deep
Meyer & C.	1 5/32	..	W. Rd. Cons.
Modder, B...	16/6	..	West Springs

RHODESIAN MINES

Bwana M'k'b	21/9	+6d	Rho. Cons. R.
Cam & Motor	1⅛	−1/16	Rhod.Sal. Tr.
Chartered ..	40/6	+6d	Roan Antel.
Gd. F. Rhod.	10/11½	..	Selukwe ..
Loangwa ..	6/0	+3d	Shamva ..
Lonely Reef ..	29⅜	..	Tang'ikaCon.
N'Changa ..	1 15/16	..	Wankie Coll.
Rhod. Ang. A	17 32	+1/32	Zambesia Ex.
Rhod. B.H. ..	3/0	..	

NIGERIAN AND WEST AFRICAN MINES

Anglo-Cont.	10/9	−3d	Fanti Cons.
Ashanti	27/9	..	Mongu .. ..
Assoc. Nigeria	6/0	..	Naraguta ..
Bisichi	7/9	..	

EASTERN TIN MINES

Ayer Hitam	13/6	..	Pahang ..
Gopeng	1 13/16	..	Petaling ..
Hongkong ..	19/3	+3d	Rexong ..
Idris	10/0	..	Selayang ..
Ipoh	19/9	..	Sthn. Mala'n
Kampar Mal.	16/6	+3d	Sthn. Perak
Kamunting ..	8/6	..	Sungei Besi
London Mal.	11/0	..	Tekka Taip.
London Tin	1 9/16	+1/16	Tavoy .. ..
Malayan ..	24/0	+3d	Tin Selection
			Tronoh .. ..

MISCELLANEOUS MINES

Amal. Mining	22/6	..	Mt. Lyell ..
Aramayo ..	1/2	..	Mysore .. ..
Balaghat ..	4/3	..	Nat. Mining
BaseMet. Min.	13/6	..	Nundydroog
Bkn. H. Prop.	21/9	−3d	Oregum .. ..
Do., North	4 5/16	..	Patino .. ..
Do., South	2 1/16	−⅛	Rio Tinto ..
Burma Corp.	14/9	−1½d	Rus. A. Cons.
Cent.P.Mang.	3	..	S'ia G'trudis
Champion R.	9/0	..	St.J. Del Rey
East Pool. Pf.	2/3	..	SanFrancisco
Edle Devt. ..	1 5/16	..	S. Amer.Cpr.
Elec. Zinc, P.	11⅞	..	Sulphide ..
L. Vw.& Star	13/0	−3d	Tharsis ..
Min. Sepn...	4¾	..	Vipond .. ..
Mining Corp.	11/9	−3d	Wiluna .. ..
Mining Trust	12/0	..	Zinc Corp...
Mount Isa ...	1 7/16	−1/16	Do., Pref...

x Ex dividend.

RECENT ISSUES

Stock or Share	Price of Issue	Yesterday's Quotations	Rise or Fall
Ang.-S. Amer. Bank. "B"	25/0	1/4½ prem.	..
Brit. Can., 7½% Pref. ..	20/0	1½d. dis.	..
B.A.T., 6% 2nd Pref. ..	20/0	22/6	..
B.A. & Pacific Rly., 6% Pf.	£10	9¼	..
B.A.G.S. Rly., 6% Pref.	£10	10⅛	..
Cent. Am. Rlr., 5% Deb. ..	£10	8½	..
Cerlon, 5%, 1960-70 ..	90	⅞ dis.	..
Conversion A, 5%, 1944-64	100	½ prem.	..
Do., £10 paid	100	100⅛	..
Do., "B"	100	⅛ prem.	..
Courtaulds & Blackwell, 6½% D.	96½	160¼	+ ⅛
Gateshead, 5%, 1945-52 ..	98	95	..
Killingshall Tin (5/0) ..	6/0	6/3	..
Lingrl, 7% Conv. Deb. ..	100	1⅞ prem.	..
N.W. Mtd. Joint Elec., 5%	98½	1 dis.	+ ⅛
Robinson, R. S. & A., 6% Pf.	20/0	7½d. prem.	..
Trepca Mines	5/0	8/0	..

BRAZILIAN MARKETS

RIO DE JANEIRO, Jan. 27.—EXCHANGE on London was unchanged at 5⅛d. The COFFEE market closed steady with No. 7 N.Y. standard unchanged at 16⅜d. Receipts, 10,000 bags which makes 1,817,000 bags for the season to date, against 1,763,000 bags for the same period last season. Clearances were 9,000 bags to the U.S. The stock is estimated at 343,000 bags against 343,000 bags a year ago. At SANTOS No. 4 N.Y. standard advanced 200 reis to 21⅝300. Receipts, 40,000 bags, making 5,465,000 bags so far this season, against 4,862,000 bags a year ago. Clearance were 38,000 bags to the U.S., 13,000 bags to Europe, and 2,000 bags elsewhere. The stock shows a decrease at 1,038,000 bags which compares with 1,031,000 bags a year ago.

OFFICIAL RECORD OF DEALINGS

In the following statement are shown the prices at which business in officially quoted stocks was transacted yesterday as shown in the list issued by the Stock Exchange. Appended to each section will be found prices at which business was done

Scottish, 30/4½ 30/- -/1½ 30/- 30/- -/4½
Shawinigan, 89¾ 2
Shrop., Worcs. and Staffs. 6% Pref., 22/4½ -/4½
South Wales 6% Deb., 97½
Tokyo, 6% Bds., 93¼
Toronto, 4½% Deb., 93¾
Urban, 32/9¾
Victoria Falls, Pref., 32/6¾
Wearthersee 6%, 1929, Bds., 83½††
Westminster, 36/- 6/- 5/6 -/6 -/3
Whitehall, 7½% Pref., 24/- 4/- 4/-
Do., 6% Deb., 104 3¼ ¼ ¾ 4
Yorkshire, 32/-

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES

Brit. Power and Light, 12/7½ -/6 -/7½ -/6 -/7½ -/9
Cy. of Lond. New (iss. at 36/-, 6/- paid), 12/10½†† 13/0¾ 13/- -/1½ 12/9 13/- 12/10½ 13/- 12/10½
Do., fully-paid, 42/9 3/6
Egham and Staines, 30/-
Elec. Dist. of Yorkshire, New, 32/-
Mid. Elec. Supply, New, 36/9 -/10½ -/6
Mid. Counties, New, 28/10½ -/9
Newcastle and Dist., New, 27/1½ -/1½ -/1½
Nigerian, Prefd., 14/7½ -/6
N. American, 810⅛‡
Scottish Power, New, 29/3 -/1½ 8/10½ -/10½ 9/3
W. Gloucestershire, 38

FINANCIAL, LAND AND INVESTMENT

Anglo-Newfoundland Dev., 6% Bds., 101½ 3
Arg. Est. of Bovril, Prefd. (8%), 15/6 -/6
Arg. Sthn., 22/10½
Assd. Anglo-Atlantic, 1/0¾
Do. Defd., -/2¼
Assd. Lond. Prop., 18/- -/6
Australian Agri., 77/6
Australian Est., 47 7
Australian Past., 80
Brit. S. Africa, Regd., 40/5¼ -/7½ -/7½ -/7½ -/6¾ -/3‡ -/6 -/4½ -/4½ -/4½
Caja de Prestamos, 4½%, Assntd., 14††
City of Lond. Real Prop., 18/4½ -/1½
Cordova, 1/10½
Forestal, Timber, 17/9 -/7½ -/7½ -/6††
Do., 6% Notes, 95½ 6 6 6
Freehold and Leasehold, 8
Goldsbrough, Mort., 5% "B" Deb., 81½
Grosvenor House, 6½% Deb., 94
Hudson's Bay, 88/1½ 8/- 8/- 6/3 -/10½ 8/1½ -/1½ 8/- 8/10½
Hyderabad, 22/6††
Java Invest. and Agency, 29/9
Latin Amer. Invest., 13/3
Law Deb. Corp., 4½% Deb., 75‡
Lond. Co. Freehold, 6% Deb., 103
Mortgage of Egypt, 5% Prefd., 8⅛
Mort. of the River Plate, 8 11/16
N. Zeal. and River P., 30/-
N. Zeal. Loan and Merc., 107½
Peruvian Corp., 11⅛
Do., 5% Pref., 33¼ ⅛ ¼ ⅛ 3 2½
Rio Negro, 13/9††
Sudan Plantns., 65/7½ 7/6 5/7½ 6/3 7/6 -/6 7/- 6/3
Town Invests., 51/6 50/3 1/6
Trust and Agency Assets, Mt. Deb. Stk. in Shs., -/9‡
Trust and Agcy. of Australasia, pd.-up under 1885 op., 8 1/16

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SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES

Anglo-Newfoundland Devt., 5⅛
Arg. Nthn. Ld., 5% Inc. Deb., 89½
Brit. Cent. Africa, 8% Debs., 102
Brit. Columbia Pwr., "A," 840⅛‡
City Assn., 1/6‡ 5/-‡
City of San Paulo Impts., 10/1½†† 10/-‡ -/3
Do., 7% Pfce., 60†† 4‡
Cotton Plants., 2/1½ -/2¼ -/3 -/1½ -/2¼ -/3
Egyptian Cons., -/7½†† 4‡
European and Gen., 6/3††
Ever Ready, 5/6 6/6‡
Fanti Cons., 13/6 -/6
Hesketh Ests., 7% Ptg. Pref., 18/9
Hudson Bay, New (iss. at £4, £2 pd.), 42/6††
Do., fully-pd., 80/-‡ 1/3‡
Hydro-Elect. Sec., 84⅞ ⅞ ⅞ 4 ¼ ¼ 4 ⅛
Do., 5% "B" Ptg. Prefd. (ex option), 7½ ½ ½
Internat. Holding, 85½ 7/16 7/16 ½ ⅝ ⅝
Isla del Guadalquivir, Founder's Shares, 32/6 27/6‡
Lond. County F. and L., New (iss. at 25/-, 10/- pd.), 11/3
Metrop. Housing Corp., 17/4½ -/6
Metrop. Rly. Country Ests., 11/10½††
Natl. Ud. Laundries Fin., Defd., -/8
Power Securities Corp., 25/-†† -/9
Primitiva Holdings, 30/6 -/3 -/1½ -/1½ 30/-
Rio de Janeiro Invest. Agcy., Loan Stk., 42‡††
Tanganyika Props., 6% Deb., 97‡
Tokyo Invest., New (iss. at 42/6, 12/6 pd.), 18/6
Westminster City Props., Prefd., 5/9
Yang-Tse Corp., Prefd., -/7½

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

African City Props., 31/10½
Alba, 5% Pref., 83
Alliance Invest., Defd., 198
Allsopp Brewery, 6% Deb., 98
Anglo-Celtic, 347
Army and Navy, 4% Deb., 72
Atlas Elec. and Gen., 27/3 7/- -/3 7/- -/6 -/3
Do., 7% Pref., 23/10½ 4/1½ -/0¾ 3/9
Beaver, 30/6 -/3 -/6
Do., 5% Deb., 92††
Brit. Assets, 24/9
Do., 4½% Pref., 83‡
Brit. Shareholders', 32/3 -/6
Charter, 84‡
Do., 5% Pref., 76‡ 8‡
Colonial Sects., 4% Pref., 70½
Continental and Ind., 227½ ½ 5 5
Do., 5½% Prefd., 96
Debenture Corp., 5% Pref., 87‡
Eastern Internat. Rubber, 20/7½
Edinburgh Inv., 4% Deb., 74‡
Foreign and Colonial, 181
Do., 5% Pref., 89¼††
Do., 5% Deb., 93½
Foreign Rlwys. Invest., 96½ ½
Do., 5% Pref., 77¼ ¼
Friars Invest., 19/-
Industrial and General, 330 28 30 28 30
Internat. Sleep. Car, 8/6
Lake View Invest., 5% Pref., 85
Lon. and N. York, 236
Lon. and S. Amer., 5% Pref., 15/6 -/6
Lon. Irish, 5% Pref., 20 29½
Lon. Mid. and Scottish, 4% Pref., 49
Do., 5% Prefd., 16 ¼
Mid-European Corp., 111½†† 12††
Do., 5½% Pref., 91½ 1
Municipal, 5% Pref., 80½
Nelson Financial, 12½%, 181
Oranium Invest., 5% Prefd., 88⅞
Parent and Fin., 8%, 2/6†† -/9
Do., Defd., 1/6 -/6 -/6
Do., 5% Pref., 55
Premier Invest., 106½ 9
Do., 5% Pref., 82 2
Redeemable Securities, 12/6††
Rubber Plants., 35/4½ -/4½
"Sanitas," 10% Ptg. Pref., 23/3††
Scottish Stockholders, 101 99‡
Do., 5½% Pref., 93
Second Amer., 155
Second Consol., 122
Do., 5% Pref., 82
Second Industrial, 4½% Pref., 77¼
Second Lond. Scot. Amer., 108
Second Scottish, 24/6
Sphere, 20/3‡
Standard, 170
Sterling, 244¼
Do., 5% Pref., 87½
Tin Selection, 14/-‡ 13/9 -/7½ -/9
Trustees Corp., 221
Do., 4½% Pref., 80¼ ⅜
U. States Deb., 242
Do., 4% Deb., 75
West. Lon. and Prov. Elec. and Gen., 166

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES

A. W. Sec. Stk. Trust, 5% Inc. Deb., 50
Alliance, 595‡
Do., 4% Pref., 74‡
Do., 5% Pref., 90‡
Brit. and Contl. Plantations, 7/3††
Canadian, 2/6
Daily Mail, 70/3¾ 69/4½ 70/- 70/- 70/- 1/3 70/1½
Ground Rental Assn., -/10¾ -/10¾ -/11
Do., 6% Ptg. Pref., 10/9 -/9 -/10½
Lon. and New York Invest., New, 8/6 pm
Lond. Malayan Tin, 10/7½‡†† -/7½ -/10½ -/7½ -/9
Lon. Mid. and Scott. Conv., Defd., 15/-
Railway and Gen., 5% Pref., 85‡

GAS

Bombay, 16/3 16/-
Bournemouth, "B," 7% Max., 12⅝
British, 115
Commercial, 93 2 2
Gas Light and Coke, 18/10½ -/9¾ 19/- 18/9 -/10½ 19/- -/1½ 18/10½ -/3‡ 19/-
Do., 3½% Max., 61¼
Do., 3% Deb., 58½ 8
Imp. Continental, 375 7½ 8 8 8 7 8 9 3 4 6 9 9
Montevideo, 100¾ ¼
Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 3½%, 16/9
S. Metropolitan, 100⅝‡
Tottenham and Dist. (3½%), 104½
Wands., Wimb., and Epsom, 5% Deb., 92 2

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES

Tottenham and Dist., 5% Reg. Mt., 94 4 6

INSURANCE

Alliance, 18 18 18
Do. New, 15 1/16
Atlas, 13¼
Caled. Union, 24¼ ¾
Employers' Liability, 75/- 4/9 -/10½ 5/-
Gen. Accident, 15†† 14⅞
Guardian, 10 5/16 7/16
Legal and Gen., 15 11/16
Lond. and Lancashire, 27⅝Δ
Lndn. 10 ⅛ ½ 9⅞‡
Do., 6% Pref., 21/3
N. British and Merc., 34
Do., 4% Pref., 77
Natl. fully pd., 13⅛
Prudential, "A," 21 23/32 ¾ ¾
Do., "B," 29/3
Royal Exchange, 46/4/9 6¼
Royal, 8‡
Scott. Union and Nat., "A," 16¾
Sun, 26¼ 8

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES

Caledonian, "New," £1 pd., 19
Prudential, New "A," 20 9/16 ¼
Do., Fract. Certs., 77/6 pm

IRON, COAL, AND STEEL

Algoma, 5% Bds., 68½ ½
Amal. Anthracite, 7% Pref., 12/1½†† -/3
Armstrong, Whitworth Securities, "A," -/8¼
Babcock and Wilcox, 59/- -/9
Baldwins, 3/-½ -/1½ -/3¼
Do., 7% "B" Pref., 4/4½‡
Barrow Hæmatite, 5% Deb. (free of tax), 35½ 4‡
Bolsover, 9††
Cammell Laird, 2/6
Do., 5% Pref., 3/3
Colvilles, 9/10½ -/9
Corr. 58/- -/8
Dorman, Long, 6/5¼†† -/9
Do., 8% Pref., 11/3
Dundee, 5/-
Ebbw Vale, 1/6½
Guest, Keen, 35/6
Do., 5% 2nd Pref. (free of tax), 20/1½
Harland and Wolff, 6% Pref., 10/9 -/7½
Hendon Collieries, 23/- -/7½ 3/-
Lambert, 28/6
Do., 5½% Pref., 90/-
Lysaght, 5½% Deb., 99¼ ½ ⅝ ⅜ ½
Natal Nav. Coll., 15/6 -/3 -/6 -/9 16/- 15/- 15/- -/9
North's Nav., Pref. (10%), 3/-
Ocean Coal and Wilsons, 14/3
Richardsons, Westgarth, 6% Pref., 13/6 -/5¼
Rogers, Cockerill, Pref. (4½%), 12/2¼ 12/-
Ruston and Hornsby, 7/7½ -/9 -/6¾
Skinde Works, 7½% Debs. (Reg.), 102½ ¾††
Stl. Durham, "B," 10/7½
Stanley, 22/-‡ 1/10½
Stewarts and Lloyds, Defd., 26/- 6/-
Stewarts and Lloyds of S. Africa, 6% Pref., 20/6††
Summers, 7½% Pref., 20/7½
Tata, 7% Deb., 97½ ⅛
Thomas (Richard), 2/7½
Do., 6½% Pref. (12½), 7/-
Thornycroft, 28/10½ 9/4½
Union (of S. Africa), 5/6 -/6
U.S. Steel Corp., 182 3 2
Vickers, 5/6¾ -/6 -/6 -/7½ -/6¾ -/7½ -/4½
Do., 5% Pref. (21½), 17/6 18/- 17/9

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES

Beardmore, 7½%, 2nd Pfce., 1/1½
Beyer Peacock, 5% Deb., 76 5
Brit. Combustion, 16/10½
Clarke, Chapman, 28/- 8/-
Dorman (W. H.), Ptg. Pref., 1/3
Dorman Long, 5½% Deb., 87
Duffield Iron, 4/3 -/3
Ebbw Vale, 8% Notes, 15‡ 15
Hepworth Carbon., 8/6Δ
Jessop, 6% Pref., 8/0¾Δ††
J. C. Metal, "A," 90/- 2/6 90/- 90/- 5/- 5/- 2/6 89/4½ 90/3 2/6 6/3 105/-
Ordon, 5/-
Rhymney, 5% Debs., 66½
Seaside Heat Dist., 6/6

MINES

Ashanti, 27/6 -/6 -/7½ -/6 -/9 -/7½ -/9
Camp Bird, 8% Pref. (free of tax), 11/10½
Cons. Prov. Manganese, 60/7½ 60/-
Cons. Gold Fields, 42/6 3/1½‡ 2/9‡ 3/1½
Do., 6% Pref., 18/-
Cons. Mines Select., 17/3
De Beers, 40% Pref. (Bearer), 12 1/16 17/32 9/16 11/32
Do., Defd., [illegible] 9 1/16 15/16 15/16††

Geduld Prop., 69/4½
Globe and Phoenix, 11/3
Lon. Tin Synd., 30/- -/7½ 30/- 1/- -/3 -/10½ -/10½ -/3 30/7½ 1/- -/10½ -/6
Mysore Gold Mining, 13/4½
Nat. Mining Corp., 2/- 2/-
Rio Tinto, 45 13/16 ½ ⅞ 1/16
St. John del Rey, 18/7½ -/3 -/3 -/4½ -/7½
Do., Pref. (free of tax), 10%, 25/-
Tanganyika Concess., 40/7½
Tharsis Sulphur (Bearer), 5††
Union Corp., 71/3 3/1½ -/1½
Venesinging Es., 39/9 -/9 -/9
Waihi Gold Min., 13/- -/0¾ -/1½ -/2¼ 13/- -/4½

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES—AUSTRALIAN

Boulder Perseverance, -/9 -/9
Golden Horse-Shoe (New), 1/9††
Lake View and Star, 12/10½ -/10½ 13/3 -/1½ -/1½ 13/- 12/9¾ -/10½ -/9 13/1½
London, Aust. and Gen., -/4½
Mount Isa, 26/6 -/6
North Kalgurli, 2/5¼ -/6
Wiluna, 18/-

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES—MISCELLANEOUS

Abbaye Devt., -/0¼
Ancona Sulphur, 1/9
Aramayo in Bolivia, 30/3¾Δ -/7½††
Assd. Mining and Fince., 2/- -/6 2/-
Ayer Hitam, 13/6
Balkis, 58
Beralt Tin, 3/5¼
Broken Hill Prop., 21/4½‡
Burma Corp., 14/10½ -/9 -/9¾ -/9 -/9 -/10½ -/10½
Consd. Tin of Burma, 5/6††
Hongkong Tin, 19/-
Indian Copper Corp., 1/9 -/9½ -/9½ -/9¾ -/9¾
Do., 7½% Debs., 92½††
Kampar Malaya, 18/-†† 18/- -/7½
Kamunting, 8/3
Lena Goldfields, -/10½ -/10½ -/10½
Lond. Tin Synd., New, 30/7½
Malayan Tin Dredg., 24/-
Mexican Corp., 8/7½
Mexico of El Oro (Bearer), 2/6‡†† 13/-‡†† 3/6
Mining Trust, 11/7½ -/7½ -/4½‡ -/4½ -/6¾
Mount Lyell, 35/3
New of Venezuela, 5/-
Nundydroog, 15/3
Panama Corp., 18/- -/9 -/10½ -/9 -/4½
Pangnga River, 5/4½
Pattani Cons., 1/9
Pengkalen, Prefd., 22/6†† -/3††
Russo-Asiatic Cons., -/6¼ -/6 -/6¼ -/6¾ -/6½ -/6½ -/6½
San Francisco, 25/-
Santa Gertrudis, 8/6 -/7½ -/7½
S. American Copper (New), 1/10½ -/9¾ -/9
Sulphide Corp., 14/9†† -/10½
Do., 10% Pref., 20/9 -/9 1/3
Tekka-Taiping, 19/7½
Tigon, 26/6 7/-‡ 6/6 -/6
Trepca, 8/1½ -/9 8/1½
Tronoh, 19/1½
West Mexican (Correction from *Official List*.—In yesterday's List the business done should have been marked 2/9, not 22/9.)
Zinc Corp., Pref., 71/3

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES—SOUTH AFRICAN

African and European, 16/6 -/3‡ -/3‡ -/6
Amal. Mining Trust, 21/10½ -/10½ 2/-
Anglo-Amer., 28/9
Do., 6% Pfd., 92¾ ¼ 1
Angola-Diamond, 14/7½†† -/10½ 15/- 15/- -/3
Beira Town Sites, 11/-††
Brakpan, 70/- 70/-
Bwana M'Kubwa, 21/9 2/1½ 1/10½ 2/1½ 1/6 20/10½†† 2/1½ 2/- -/3 2/- 1/10½ -/9 -/6‡ -/9 -/8¼ -/4½ -/6
Cam and Motor, 21/10½
Cent. Min. and Invest. Corp. (Bearer), 18 3/16‡
Charterland and Gen., 10/9‡ 11/9‡
City Deep, 6/10½‡ 7/-‡
Consol. African Sel., 25/6 6/4½††
Consol. Bultfontein, 21/6
Consol. Diamond, 11/3 -/3 -/1½
Daggafontein, 20/-‡
Do., Opt. Certs., 4/-‡
Durban Roodepoort Deep, 10/-
East Geduld, 37/6
East Rand Consol., -/6
East Rand Prop., 10/3‡ 11/7½
Geldenhuis Deep, 4/7½‡ 5/7½‡††
General Mines Invest., -/7½
General Min. and Fin. Corp., 15/-
Gold Rhodesian Devt., 10/0¾ 9/9
Govt. Areas (Modderfontein), 35/6
Henderson's, 3/-†† -/0½
Houtpoort Prop., -/1¼††
Jo'burg Consol., 43/9 -/9 4/3 -/3 3/10½
Kafue, New, 1/4½ -/5½
Knight's, 6/10½‡
Langlaagte, 22/- 1/6
Loangwa Concessions, 6/- 6/- 5/10½ 6/1½ 5/10½
Lomah, 1/10½
Lonely Reef, 16/10½‡
Luipaard's Vlei, 3/4½‡ -/9 4/- 4/- 3/10½
Messina (Trans.) Devt., 16/3
Modderfontein "B," 16/3
Modderfontein Deep Levels, 27/10½
New Modderfontein, 88/6 -/6
Oceana Consol., 2/3
Potgietersrust, 4/3¼ -/1½‡
Rand Mines, 61/3
Rand Selection, 14/- -/3
Randfontein Ests., Witwatersrand, 5/1½‡ -/7½
Rezende, 20/- 19/4½
Rhodesia Broken Hill Devt., 2/11½ -/8‡ -/10½ 3/- -/9
Rhodesian Minerals, 9/3†† -/1½†† -/5¼†† -/6‡†† -/9‡†† -/9 -/4½ -/6 -/6 -/6 -/7½ -/4½ -/7½ -/9
Rhodesian Anglo-American, 30/3¾ 30/- 29/3
Rhodesian Congo Border, 8 3/16 ¼ 13/32 ½ 15/32 ⅜ ⅜ 15/32 ½ 7/16
Rhodesian Corp., 1/5¼†† 1/-‡ -/6
Rhodesian Selection, 52/6 50/- 50/-
Roan Antelope, 29/0¾
Robinson Deep "A," 11/10½‡
Do., "B," 7/6 -/3
Roodekop, 4/11¼†† -/9 -/11½ 5/2¼ -/3
Rose Deep, 3/6‡
Selukwe, 3/10½††
Shamva, 1/9††
Sherwood Starr, 23/9 2/6 3/9 2/6 3/1½ 1/10½
Simmer and Jack, 2/10½‡ 3/2¼
Sth. African Land, 3/- 2/11¼
Sth. African Townships, 9/6 -/6 -/3
Sthn. Rhodesia Base Metals, 10/6
Springs, 67/6 -/3 6/10½
Transvaal Explorg., -/4½ -/6 -/4½‡
Van Ryn Deep, 34/6¾†† 5/3¾
Wankie Colliery, 25/6 -/6 5/- -/9 6/- 5/9
W. Rand Cons., 5/11¼
Willoughby's Cons., 8/5¼ -/6
Witbank Colliery, 17/7½ -/9
Witwatersrand Deep, 3/9

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES.—WEST AFRICAN

Alluvial Diamonds, 1/0¾ -/0¾ 1/- 0/10½ -/11½ -/10½ 1/- 0/11 -/10 -/11 1/0¾ 1/- 0/11¼‡ -/10
Ariston, 1/10 -/10
Assd. Tin of Nigeria, 6/0¾ 6/- 5/11¼ 6/- 5/9 -/9‡
Bibiani, New, 4/3 -/6 -/6
Ex-Lands Nigeria, 2/2¼†† -/0¾ -/1½
Jantar, 2/-
Jos Tin Area, 6/-‡
Lyndhurst Deep Level, -/3½ -/3¾
Morkwa, 4/-‡ -/1½‡ 4/-‡
Offin River, -/10½‡ -/10½‡
W. African Diamond, 5/1½‡ 5/- -/0¾

NITRATE

Lautaro, Nos. 240001 to 430000 and 590001 to 1312000 (Bearer), 57/6 -/6 -/9¾ -/6 8/1½‡ -/1½
Liverpool, 7/6†† 8/9††
Pan de Azucar, 17/-††
Rosario, 3/6††
Tarapaca and Tocopilla, 6/3††

OIL

Anglo-Amer., 5½% Deb., 97⅛ x.d.
Anglo-Persian, 77/6 5/7½††
Do., 8% Pref., 27/- 6/8¼
Do., 9% Pref., 28/1½ -/3¼
Attock, 24/8¾†† 5/- -/7½ 5/- -/7½ -/7½ -/11¼ -/11¼ 2/6‡
Brit. Burmah, 7% "A" Deb., 101½
Burmah, 75/3¾ -/3¾ 6/3 5/- 5/- -/7½ 6/3 5/7½ -/7½
Do., 6% Cum. Pref., 22/4½Δ
Do., 8% Pref., 26/6 -/7½ -/6
Canadian Eagle, 12/3†† -/2¼ -/3 -/5¼ -/1½ -/6 -/4½ -/5¼ -/6 -/6¾ -/3‡ -/3 12/-‡ -/3
Do., Pref. (7%), 12/6 -/1½
Kern River, 6/0¾ 5/10½
Mexican Eagle, 13/7½ -/6 -/3¾ -/5¼ -/6 -/4½ -/3¾ -/4½ -/5¼ -/4½ -/3 -/6
Phoenix Oil and Transport, £1 Shares, 12/-†† 11/9 12/1½ -/0¾ 11/7½ 12/- 12/- 11/10¾ 12/1½ -/1½
Royal Dutch Co., 39⅛
Scottish, 7% Pref., 17/7½Δ
"Shell" (Regd.), 94/8¼†† 1/3‡ 5/3¾ 5/- -/3¾ -/3¼ 4/4½‡ 5/-‡ 5/- 3/1½ -/9‡ 1/3 5/7½ -/3‡ 5/- 3/9‡ 1/3‡ 2/6‡ -/6‡ 4/8¼ 3/9‡ 4/8¼
Do. (Bearer), 95/7½ 5/- -/7½ -/3¾
Do., 7% Pref., 26/8¼
Spies, -/5¼

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES

Anglo-Amer., 69/9‡†† -/6‡†† -/7½‡†† -/6 -/9 -/6 -/4½ -/9 -/6 -/9 -/4½ -/9¾ -/7½ -/6‡†† -/9¾ -/8 -/9¾ -/7½ -/8¼ -/3 -/7½ -/9‡ -/9¾ -/8¼ -/6‡ -/4½ -/10½ -/6‡ 70/- 69/9‡ 70/- 69/-
Do., New, 69/7½‡†† -/6 -/6 -/9 -/7½ -/6 -/4½ -/9¾ -/8 -/9¾ -/7½ -/6‡ -/4½ -/7½ -/6‡ 70/- 70/- 70/-
Anglo-Egyptian, "B," 50/7½ 1/6¾
Apex Trinidad, 23/10½ 4/0¾ 3/7½ 4/4½‡
Brit. Controlled, 3/7½ -/9 -/7½ -/6
Do., 7% Prefd., 6/- -/1½‡ 6/-
Caltex, -/1½
Creole (Tempy. Certs.), 25/6
Franco-Brit. Trust, -/1¼
Petroleum Stor. and Fin. Corp., 14/9
Do., Defd., 1/3½
Tocuyo, 14/6 -/3‡
Trinidad Leaseholds, 76/6 5/-‡ -/11¼ -/11¼ -/7½ 6/6 -/6
V.O.C. Holding, 59/4½†† 60/-†† -/7½ 1/3 60/7½ 1/6¾ 60/11¼ 1/3 -/6¾ -/6¾ -/3
Venezuelan Cons., 9/10½††

RUBBER

Allied Sumatra, 14/1½ 14/- 14/- -/1½ -/3
Anglo-Dutch, 32/3†† -/3 1/9 2/- 2/- 1/9
Do., 6% Deb., 98
Anglo-Java, 2/11¼ -/9¾ -/10½
Bah Lias, 23/9
Bajoe Kidoel, 33/7½
Batu Rata, 16/9†† -/3 -/3 -/4½
Bertam Conso., 3/10½‡ 4/1½
Chersonese Est., 2/3 -/1½ -/3 -/1½
Djasinga, 14/3
E. Asiatic, 2/2
Galang Besar, -/7¼
Gula-Kalumpong, 20/7½
Jugra Land and Carey, 14/3††
Kuala Lumpur, 35/7½
Laras, 2/3¾
Lon. Asiatic, 4/3
Malacca Plant., 26/3††
Manchester N. Borneo, 14/9
Mendaris, 16/6 15/10½
Merlimau Pegoh, 2/3¾
Nirmala, 6/6
Sialang, 23/9 4/- 2/6
Telogoredjo Ud., 30/-††
Ud. Serdang, 3/9†† -/9¾†† -/9½ -/9 -/9¾ -/10 -/10
Ud. Sua Betong, 55/6
Ud. Sumatra, 1/8¼††

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES

Allagar, 1/6
Ampat (Sumatra), 2/8½
Anglo-Johore, -/4½††
Badek, 25/- 5/-
Bantam, 2/1½††
Bantong, 27/6††
Batang Consol., 1/- -/1 1/- -/0¾ -/1¼
Bekoh Consol., 1/1†† 1/-†† -/1
Bikam, 1/7½
Brit. Ests. of Java, 1/8¼††
Bukit Mertajam, 2/9½
Buntar, 12/6
Cheviot, 2/10
Cons. Malay, 4/6††
Doranakande, 1/1½
Dusun Durian, 18/6††
Eastn. Sumatra, 2/1††
F.M.S. Planters, 29/3††
Galpheie, 3/3½
Gan Kee, 7% Ptg. Pref., 2/6
Jabi Plantns., -/9½
Java Para, 26/3
Java Produce, 17/1½
Do., 7% Deb., 102½
Jugra Est., 4/7½†† -/3††
Kapar Para, 26/6††
Kawie, 4/2¼ -/3 -/3
Killinghall, 48/6 3/- 2/9 3/6 2/9
Klanang Prod., 3/11¼
Kombok, 2/1½
Kota Tinggi, 2/-
Kuala Geh, 7½% Deb., £75 pd., 70
Kuala Muda, 21/6
Lewa, Defd., -/3
Do., 10% Ptg. Prefd., 1/-
Lingai Plantns., 7% Deb., partly pd., 1⅝ ¾ ¼ pm
Do., fully pd., 101⅛
Malayalam Plantns., 22/9
Marawan, 1/1½†† -/4
Merbau, 1/6¾††
New Haycock, 1/-
Pahi, -/7¾
Peacock and Nilambe, 3/3¼††
Piccadilly, -/6
Rembau Jelei, 24/3††
Remfield, 13/1½ 12/-
Selangor Consolr, 2/8½
Sembilan Ests., 28/9 9/- 8/9
Sempah, 11/10½ -/3
Serdang Cent., 21/3†† 18/9††
Shelford, 18/9
Siak, 4/10½††
Singapore Ud., 1/3†† -/3 -/3½
Stoughton, 1/8½††
Strathisla, 3/4½
Sungei Kari (Su.), 12/6
Sungei Puntar, 1/2¼
Sungei Siput, -/7½†† -/9

Tali Ayer, 19/3
Tebolang, 10/††
Way-Halim, 1/11¼

SHIPPING

Brit. India, 5½% Pref., 95¾
Cairn, 6/7½
Cie. Générale Trans., 6½% Obgs., 97½
Cunard, 22/3 1/10½ 2/1½ -/1½
French Stm. Navigation, 6½% Bds., 98½
Furness, Withy, 35/6 6/-
Gt. Eastern Ferries, 12/9 -/9 -/9
Khedivial Mail, 5½% Pref., 57/6 8/3
Lamport and Holt, 5% Deb., 47½
P. and O., Defd., 51/9 -/3 -/9 -/6†† 1/- -/6 -/3 50/9 1/- -/6
R.M.S.P., 36¼
Do., 6½% Pref., 38
Do., 4½% Deb., 74
Union-Castle, 6% Pref., 12/- -/3 -/1½†† 12/- -/4½
White Star, 6½% Pref., 13/1½ 12/9 13/1½ 12/9 -/11¼ -/9

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES

Brit. Oil, 19/1½Δ

TEA AND COFFEE

Anglo-Ceylon and Gen., 35/-†† -/10½ 6/3 5/6 6/3
Assam Company, 30/6 -/6
Assam Consd. Ests., 9/3
Do., 8% Pref., 19/6 18/9
Bengal Ud., 16/9 17/- -/6
Do., 5% Pref., 9/-
Cachar and Dooars, 18/9††
Darjeeling Consold., 57/6Δ††
Doom Dooma, 76/3‡
East India and Ceylon, 23/9†† 2/- -/6 -/6
Nuwara Eliya, £5/1/9†† £5/1/9Δ
Ouvah Ceylon, 63/6
Pandan, 19/7½ -/7½
Scottish of Ceylon, 59/6 60/1½

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES

Borelli, 42/-
Budla Beta, 62/6
Imperial Ceylon, 29/9 -/9
Pabbojan, 92/6 1/-

TELEGRAPHS AND TELEPHONES

Anglo-American, 60‡
Bengal, 7% Bds., 102 1
Cables and Wireless, 7½% "A," 72¾ ¾ ¼ 3 3 ¼ 3 2½ ⅞ ¾ ⅞ ½ ¾ ⅞
Do., "B," 35⅜†† 4½ ¾ ½ 5 4¾ 5¼ 5 5 ¼ 4⅝ ¾ 5¼ 4⅞
Do., 5½% Pref., 98¼ ⅛ ⅜ ¼ 8 ⅜ 8 ¼ 8 ⅛ ½ ½ ⅛ ⅜
Eastern, 4% Deb., 76½ ½
Gt. Northern, 32¼‡
International, 72 2 1½
Oriental, 55/-
Postal T'graph and Cable, 5% Deb., 86¼

TRAMWAYS AND OMNIBUS

Brazilian Tract., 40⅝ 1†† 40½ ⅝ ¾ ⅝ ¾ 1 40½ ⅝ ¾ ¾ ⅝ ¾ ⅞ 9/16 ⅞ ½ 1 40 11/16 1 11/16 ¾ 13/16 13/16
Brit. Columbia Elec., 8% Pref., 88½
Brit. Elect. Tract., 8% Prefd., 122½
Do., Defd., 1580 80 1615 15
Do., 6% Ptg. Pref., 129½
Do., 4½% Deb., 83½ 3 4 3½
City of B.A., 86/10½ -/10½
Lancs. Ud., 6% Deb., 96
London and Suburban, 3/-‡
Do., 5% Prefce., 10/3‡ -/3
Do., 4½% Deb., 63‡
L.G.O.C., 5% Deb., 96½
Maidstone and Dist., 38/-
National, 30/-‡ 30/- 30/-
Do., 7% Pref., 21/3
Portland Rly. L. and P., 5% Bonds, 99
Puebla, 22¼ 3
Rio de Janeiro, 5% 50-yr. Bds., 84¼ ½ ½
Yorkshire, 3/6 -/7½ -/6
Do., 6% Pref., 8/6

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES

Bahia, 5% Bds., 16¾ 17 16½ ¾ ½
Glasgow, 5/7½ -/3
Met. Electric, 2/3
Do., 5% Pref., 7/6
Scottish Motor Traction, 6½% Prefce., 19/6
Sunderland, 6/3
Tilling and British, 43/- 2/-

WATER WORKS

Consd. of Rosario, 15¼
Prov. of B.A., 5% Pref. (free of tax), 19/6 -/6
Southend, 5% Deb., 97

SUPPLEMENTARY PRICES

Colne Valley, "D," 122½

OFFICIAL PRICE CHANGES

The following are changes in prices since Monday last (other than those given in our tables of closing prices, including those for the New York and Montreal markets), as shown by yesterday's Stock Exchange Official List:—

BRITISH FUNDS.—RISE.—India (4½%, 1958-68) 2 to 80-83.

HOME CORPORATION.—RISE.—Bath (3%, 1909-34) 1 to 91-93, Manchester (3%, 1891) 1 to 60-62, Stockton-on-Tees (3%, 1932) 1 to 95-97.

DOMINION GOVERNMENT INSCRIBED.—RISE.—Queensland (3%, 1922-47) 1 to 63-68, ditto (6%, 1930-40) 1 to 95-98, South Australian (5%, 1932-42) 1 to 85-90, Trinidad (3%, 1922-44) 1 to 77-79. FALL.—Queensland (3½%, 1945) 1 to 69-74.

DOMINION CORPORATION.—FALL.—Sydney (5¼% Deb., 1953) 3 to 88-91.

FOREIGN CORPORATION.—RISE.—Helsingfors (4½%, 1909) 1 to 74-77. FALL.—B.A. (5%, 1913 and 1914) 1 to 92-94.

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT.—RISE.—Brazilian (4% Bds., Lloyd Brasileiro) ½ to 82-86, ditto (4%, 1911) 2 to 56-68, Egyptian (Pref.) ½ to 68½-70½, Greek (5%, 1907) 1 to 82-85, Westphalia (7%, 1926) 1 to 97-101. FALL.—Austrian (4½% Treas. Nts., 1914) 1 to 45-49, Hungarian (Gld. Rentes, 1881-88-92) 1 to 21-24, ditto (4½%, 1914) 1 to 23-26, Mexican (4%, 1904) 1 to 13-15.

INDIAN RAILS.—RISE.—Bengal Nth.-Western 1 to 254-264.

DOMINION AND COLONIAL.—RISE.—Algoma Eastern (5% 50-yr. Gld. Bds.) 4 to 86-89. FALL.—Great Southern 1 to 16-18.

AMERICAN RAILS.—RISE.—Alabama Ord. 4½ to 117-122.

FOREIGN RAILS.—RISE.—Mexican (4½% 2nd Deb.) 2 to 37-42, United of Havana (5% Pref.) ½ to 43½-45½. FALL.—Argentine Gt. Western (5% Pref.) 1 to 91-93, ditto (4% Perp. Deb. Stk.) 1 to 69-71, ditto (4% Irred. 2nd Deb. Stk.) 1 to 68-70, Argentine N.-Eastern (5% "C" Deb. Stk.) 1 to 61½-63½, ditto (5% "C" Debs.) 1 to 63½-65½, Bahia Blanca (4% 1st Deb. Stk.) 1 to 72-74, Bolivar (6% Deb. Stk.) 19 to 28-35, B.A. Pacific (4% 1st Deb. Stk.) ½ to 73½-75½, B.A. Great Southern (5% Pref.) ½ to 85½-87½, ditto (4% Deb.) ½ to 74-76, B.A. Mid. (4% Irred. Deb. Stk.) ½ to 72-74, Central Argentine (6% Conv. Pref. Stk.) ½ to 101-103, Mexican Southern (4% 1st Mort. Deb. Stk.) 1 to 9-11, Paraguay Central (6¼% Deb. Stk.) 1½ to 35-37, Puerto Cabello (5% Bds.) 5 to 45-55, United of Havana (4% Debs.) 2½ to 57-60, ditto (4% Red. Deb. Stk.) 1 to 55-57.

BANKS.—FALL.—Williams Deacon's ("B") 6d. to 44/6-46/6.

BREWERIES.—RISE.—Brewers and Distillers of Vancouver 3d. to 6/3-7/3, South African (5% Pref.) 3d. to 17/0-18/0.

CANALS.—FALL.—Suez 1 to 165-175.

COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, &c.—RISE.—Brit. Celanese (7% 1st Deb.) 1 to 100-105, Cape Explosives Wks. (5½% Deb.) ½ to 96-99, Gillette Safety Razor 1 to 107-110, Phillips Rubber Soles 1/32 to 1¼-1⅜. FALL.—Brit. Celanese (7% 1st Pref.) 1/32 to 1/2-5/8, Calico Printers' Assoc. 1/32 to 23/32-25/32, Carreras ("B" Ord.) 9d. to 24/3-26/3, Gaumont-British Picture (7½% Pref.) 3d. to 14/3-15/3, Hoffnung ⅛ to 1¾-2, Kreuger and Toll (Ptg. Debs.) ½ to 27¼-28¼, Porritts and Spencer 1/16 to 2-2 3/16, Swedish Ball Bearing ("B" ¼ to 12-13, Spillers (Defd.) 6d. to 6/6-8/6, Swedish Match ("A" and also in Swedish names) ½ to 16-17.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING AND POWER.—RISE.—Delhi Elect. Sply. and Trctn. 1/16 to 1 11/16-1 15/16, Melbourne Elect. Sply. (Cons. Ord.) 2 to 167-177.

FINANCIAL, LAND AND INVESTMENT.—RISE.—British South Africa (Bearer) 4½d. to 40/4½-40/10½.

FINANCIAL TRUSTS.—RISE.—Rio Claro Rly. and Investment 1 to 184-9. FALL.—Eastern Int. Rubber 1/16 to 1-1¼, London Irish Trust 5 to 65-70, Parent Trust and Finance (Defd.) 1/3 to -/9-1/9, Union Commercial 7 to 118-23.

GAS.—RISE.—Gas Light (3% Deb.) 1 to 57-9.

IRON, COAL AND STEEL.—RISE.—Algoma (Bds.) 1 to 66-71, Horden 1/16 to 1⅛-1¼, Richardsons, Westgarth (Pref.) 1/32 to 19/32-23/32, Union Steel of S.A. (Deb.) 1 to 99-103. FALL.—Lysaght (Pref.) 1/16 to 13/16-15/16, Thomas, Richard (Pref.) 1/32 to 5/16-3/8.

NITRATE.—FALL.—Lautaro (Prefd.) ⅛ to 2⅝-2⅞.

SHIPPING.—FALL.—Elder, Dempster (6% Pref.) 1/0 to 5/0-7/0.

TEA AND COFFEE.—FALL.—Bengal United 1/16 to 1 11/16-1 15/16, East India and Ceylon ⅛ to 1-1¼.

TRAMWAYS.—FALL.—Hastings (Pref.) -/0-2/0.

WATER WORKS.—RISE.—Bristol (Deb.) 1 to 77-80.

TRAFFIC RECEIPTS

Company	Past week*	Inc. or Dec.	Aggregate Inc. or Dec. from July 1*
Assam-Bengal (Dec. 28)	Rs.4,24,000	+18,794	−7,52,694 (April 1)
Bengal Dooars (Dec. 28)	Rs.57,768	+4,289	+1,26,330 (April 1)
Calcutta Trams.	Rs.1,22,616	−7,557	−64,942 (Jan. 1)
Cent. Uruguay	£35,864	+2,057	−18,322
Do. Eastn. Exten.	£10,263	+990	+345
Do., Nthn. Exten.	£4,364	−64	−7,830
Do., Westn. Exten.	£3,013	−774	−4,083
Cordoba Central	£51,000	−15,000	−240,000
H.E.H. Nizam's Gov.'s lines (Jan. 4) Broad gauge system	Rs.2,19,017	−20,318	+9,38,635 (April 1)
Do., Hyd. Gd. Valley	Rs.1,97,006	−786	−86,757
Do., Govt. lines worked by Co.: Broad gauge	Rs.32,402	+5,439	+7,29,609
Metre gauge	Rs.40,343	+2,797	+6,24,218
San Paulo	£41,945	−8,022	−47,977 (Jan. 1)

* Unless otherwise shown.

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS.—Miles flown for December, 71,282 (against 41,656); miles flown since April 1, 1929, 1,031,292 (against 825,179); ton miles for December, 43,141 (against 30,454); ton miles since April 1, 858,184 (against 682,326); receipts for December, £33,311 (against £29,837); and receipts since April 1, £474,220 (against £370,646).

AUSTRALIAN WOOL SALES

MELBOURNE, Jan. 28.—At the wool sales held here to-day, 7,500 bales were offered. Competition was somewhat wider, but the market lacked confidence and prices generally were easier, resulting in heavy withdrawals.

Victorian wool-selling brokers will meet to-morrow, when they will doubtless discuss the question of limitation of offerings.

SYDNEY, Jan. 28.—At the wool sale held here to-day the offerings totalled 9,255 bales, out of which 7,964 were sold; wool sold privately consisted of 546 bales. There was an average selection and good competition from all sections. Prices declined in sympathy with the London and Brisbane sales, being 10 per cent. lower on an average than those obtained at the end of the last series. Poor, thin, wasty and dusty lots showed a decrease of 12½ per cent. Greasy merino made up to 25½d., comeback 12¼d., and crossbred 11½d. The series closes on February 4.—*Reuter*.

ANCONA SULPHUR.—A sulphur deposit 3in. thick was cut at San Stefano Mine on January 17 at a depth of 149 metres. Since then further work has opened up the bed, and on January 21 it had reached a thickness of 3ft., carrying approximately 70 per cent. of sulphur per ton of ore.

HOME COMMERCIAL MARKETS

TIN FIRMER

GRAIN AND FARM PRODUCE

LONDON (THE BALTIC EXCHANGE), Jan. 28.—WHEAT.—Demand for cargoes remained inactive and influenced by the easier overnight advices from North America, quotations were 6d. to 1s. per qr. lower. For a cargo of No. 1 and No. 2 Northern Manitoba, afloat, 47s. 10½d. and 46s. 10½d. were asked; 45s. for No. 2 hard winter, on passage; 45s. 6d. for Pacific white, March; and 45s. for a part cargo, Feb.; Rosafe, 63½lb. (old), on the way, was offered at 44s.; 63lb. (new), at 43s. 10½d.; and Baruso, 62½lb., Feb., at 42s. 9d. For West Australian, on passage, 45s. 6d. was required; and 46s. for South Australian, shipping-shipped. Russian (on samples) offered at 48s. 9d. to 50s. 3d. Parcels met a quiet inquiry, with Manitoba 6d. to 1s. per qr. lower in sympathy with North America, but South American descriptions were fairly steady on reports of transhipment business in Baruso from Liverpool to Continent. No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Vancouver), per Dinteldijk, expected to load early Feb., sold at 47s. 4½d. net; No. 3 at 45s. 6d.; No. 4 Manitoba (Pacific), per Albion Star, afloat, at 44s. 6d.; No. 5 (Atlantic), Feb., and March 15 at 42s. 1½d.; West Australian, per Orontes, due, at 45s. 6d.; and per Vedic, afloat, 45s.; Liverpool paid 44s. for 1,000 tons Russian (on sample) (4 per cent. rye), shipping-shipped; and 42s. for Rosafe, 64lb., due.

The Wheat Futures market closed steadier and final values were only 3½d. to 4d. under yesterday's final values.

Basis No. 3 Northern Manitoba			Business done			
Per 480lb.	Op'ning values	1.15 values	Highest	Lowest	Closing values	Prev. closing values
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Jan.	46 0	46 0	—	—	46 1	46 5
March	45 0	45 0	—	—	45 1½	45 5

MAIZE remained quiet of sale at about late rates. For La Plata, afloat, and Jan., 27s. was asked, and 27s. 3d. for Feb. Parcels met a quiet inquiry at 3d. decline. La Plata, Feb., sold at 25s. 7½d., and May-June at 26s. 1½d. Liverpool paid 26s. for Jan.-Feb., and 26s. 1½d. for Feb.

BARLEY was quiet and tending easier. Azoff/Black Sea, on passage, sold at 20s.

OATS were unchanged, but there was some inquiry for South Russian, which sold at 13s. 9d. to 13s. 6d., Feb.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 28.—WHEAT.—Shipment parcels were 3d. to 6d. per qr. lower, with millers showing more interest at the reduction. No. 1 N. Manitoba, Atlantic, Jan.-early Feb., was quoted at 48s. 1½d.; No. 2, 47s. 4½d.; No. 3, 46s. 1½d.; No. 4 Manitoba, Jan.-Feb. 14, 45s. 3d.; No. 5, 42s. 1½d.; No. 6, 35s. 3d.; No. 1 hard winter, Feb., 44s. 9d.; No. 2, 43s. 6d.; Rosafe 63½lb., just sailed, 42s.; 63lb., Feb., 43s.; white Western Pacific, Jan.-Feb., 44s. 6d.; and West Australian, afloat, 45s. 9d. Business covered South Russian, white, on sample, prompt, at 44s.; No. 3 N. Manitoba, Vancouver, afloat, 45s. 9d.; and Rosafe 64lb., due, at 42s. Spot parcels were in good demand with a moderate quantity of La Plata wheat sold to the Continent; quotations were generally lower. Graded wheat futures closed quiet at ½d. decline to ⅜d. per cental advance. Sales were 250 loads.

GRADED WHEAT FUTURES

Per 100lb.	Open'g values	Business done Highest	Business done Lowest	Closing values	Prev. closing values
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
March	8 10½	8 11	8 9⅞	8 10⅜	8 10½
May	9 1⅞	9 2⅛	9 1⅜	9 2	9 1⅞
July	9 3	9 3¼	9 2½	9 3⅜	9 3

MAIZE.—Shipment parcels of La Plata were in moderate demand at 1½d. to 3d. per qr. decline. La Plata, afloat, quoted 26s. 3d.; Jan.-Feb., 26s.; Feb.-March, 26s. 1½d.; May-June, 26s. 3d.; and Dan./Gal./Fox., Feb.-March and March-April, 27s. 6d. La Plata, Jan.-Feb., sold at 26s., and Feb.-March at 26s. 1½d. Maize on the spot was in quiet demand at generally easier prices.

BARLEY was dull. OATS.—Shipment parcels were dull, with sellers of Chilean tawny, March-April, at 17s. 6d., and La Plata, f.a.q., Feb.-March, 15s. 3d.

FLOUR.—Local makes were in quiet demand at 1s. per sack decline, with imported in moderate request. BEANS were slow. PEAS steady, but quiet. OATMEAL remained quiet and unchanged. WHEATFEED slow and unaltered.

HITCHIN, Jan. 28.—Wheat was inclined to be easier at 41s. to 42s. per quarter, delivered. BARLEY continued to be neglected, feeding at 28s.-30s., with few lots of malting at 33s.-38s. per quarter. OATS were unchanged.

IPSWICH, Jan. 28.—Wheat was steady at 41s. to 42s. Barley was in moderate supply and prices were about unchanged. Beans were quoted at about 45s.; peas, 42s.; oats, 22s.

KING'S LYNN, Jan. 28.—There was a very small supply of wheat and trade was slow at 40s. to 41s. 6d. per 4½cwts. Barley was in fair supply and met a very slow trade with prices ranging from 28s. to 44s. per 4cwts. Oats had no trade and were nominally quoted at 20s. to 21s. per 3cwt.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—POTATOES (the Borough).—The trade is suffering from heavy supplies, and business was slow at lower values. Quotations:—Siltland King Edward, £4 to £4 10s.; second grade and blackland, £3 15s. to £4; Scotch King Edward, £3 10s. to £4; best sample Majestic, British Queen and Arran Chief, £2 15s. to £3 5s.; and darksoil, £2 10s. to £3 per ton, ex market.

COVENT GARDEN.—The supplies on offer were ample for the rather quiet demand. Quotations:—English Alicante grapes, 1s. 6d. to 2s. 6d.; Colmar grapes, 1s. 6d. to 3s. 6d.; Belgian Colmar grapes, 1s. 4d. to 2s. per lb.; Almeria grapes, 23s. to 32s. 6d. per barrel; English cooking apples, 3s. 6d. to 8s. per bushel; Nova Scotian apples, 11s. to 28s.; American York Imperial apples, 22s. to 28s. per barrel; American Newtown apples, 14s. to 18s.; Winesap apples, 10s. to 12s. 6d. per box; Tunis dates, 4s. to 6s. 6d. per dozen cartons; Porto Rico grape fruit, 28s. to 32s. 6d.; Florida grape fruit, 30s. to 45s. per case; Canary bananas, 16s. to 26s. per crate; Californian Winter Nelis pears, 18s. to 22s. 6d.; Anjou pears, 22s. to 25s. per case; Comice pears, 14s. to 15s. per half-case; American cranberries, 21s. to 22s. per case; St. Michaels pineapples, 2s. 6d. to 4s. each; Messina lemons, 9s. 6d. to 14s. per box; 16s. to 21s. per case; Californian oranges, 28s. to 33s.; Jaffa oranges, 12s. 6d. to 17s. 6d.; Spanish oranges, 10s. to 40s. per case; Seville oranges, 17s. to 22s. 6d. per half-chest; Tangerine oranges, 1s. to 1s. 6d. per box of 25; South African pears, 4s. 6d. to 6s.; plums, 3s. 6d. to 6s. 6d.; apricots, 4s. 6d. to 7s.; peaches, 4s. to 10s. per box; English asparagus, 5s. to 8s.; Paris green asparagus, 5s. to 6s. per bundle; leeks, 2s. 6d. to 3s. per dozen bundles; celery, 1s. to 2s. 9d. per dozen heads; cabbage, 3s. 6d. to 4s. 6d.; savoys, 3s. 6d. to 5s. per bag; forced seakale, 4s. to 5s. per box; horseradish, 1s. 6d. to 2s. 6d. per bundle.

HAY AND STRAW (WHITECHAPEL).—There was a fair demand for the moderate supplies on hand, and prices remained steady. Best meadow hay was quoted at £7 5s. to £7 15s.; mixture and sainfoin, £7 5s. to £8; best clover, £7 10s. to £8 5s.; and best straw, £4 10s. to £4 15s. per ton.

COTTON

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 28.—Demand for spot cotton was smaller to-day. Only a moderate trade was done in American at 11 points decline; middling, 9.25d. Brazilian and Peruvian were also generally 11 points lower; Pernam fair, 8.95d.; g.f. smooth, 9.95d.; and g.f. Tanguis, 10.05d. Egyptian were quoted 5 points lower for most descriptions; f.g.f. Sakellaridis, 14.40d.; and f.g.f. Upper, 10.44d. African fell 11 points; middling West, 9.30d.; and g.f. East, 9.85d. East Indian declined 10 points; fine m.g. Broach, 7.10d.; and fine No. 1 Oomra, 6.70d.

American futures opened 4 to 6 points lower owing to bearish overnight cables and Continental liquidation. Trade support resulted in a moderate rally afterwards, but the market weakened again on a resumption of Bombay selling, and at midday values showed a fall of 5 to 6 points. Straddle buying on American account, together with firmer New York advices and a fair amount of trade calling, imparted more steadiness in the afternoon, the rally being assisted by a cessation of liquidating pressure. The close was steady at a decline of 1 point to 3 points. Liverpool closing prices:—March, 9.08; May, 9.18; July, 9.24; Oct., 9.27. New York 11 a.m. prices:—March, 17.13; May, 17.36; July, 17.54; Oct., 17.57.

Egyptian futures.—Sakellaridis contracts opened 1 point lower, and with shorts covering and fewer offerings closed quietly steady at a rise of 2 to 3 points. Closing prices:—Jan. and Feb., 13.73; March and April, 13.83; May, 14.03; June, 14.07; July, 14.23; Aug. and Sept., 14.28; Oct., 14.36; Nov., 14.39; Dec., 14.49; Jan., 14.53. Upper contracts closed quiet, unchanged to 3 points lower. Tenders, one new docket. Closing values:—Jan., 10.30; Feb., 10.27; March, 10.37; April, 10.48; May, 10.56; June, 10.67; July to Sept., 10.75; Oct., 10.90; Nov., 10.96; Dec., 11.01; Jan., 11.10.

Empire futures, after declining 7 points, rallied sharply in sympathy with American, and finished quietly steady at a rise of 3 to 4 points. Closing prices:—Jan. and Feb., 9.04; March, 9.05; April, 9.03; May and June, 9.07; July, 9.15; Aug., 9.12; Sept., 9.08; Oct., 9.12; Nov., 9.11; Dec., 9.13; Jan., 9.15.

Description	Sales To-day	Sales So far this week	Exports To-day	Exports So far this week	Imports To-day	Imports So far this week
American	2,850	8,350	100	250	12,471	24,485
Brazilian, &c.	200	1,200	—	—	—	126
Peruvian, &c.	250	1,250	—	—	—	3
African, &c.	100	200	—	—	735	735
Egyptian, &c.	300	700	—	50	220	8,072
E. Indies, &c.	300	300	—	—	925	925
Totals—This week	4,000	12,000	100	300	14,351	34,346
Last week	5,000	13,000	100	700	4,721	37,528

Amer. Futures Delivery	To-day Hight	To-day L'west	To-day Closing	Prev. day Hight	Prev. day L'west	Prev. day Closing
January	8.99	8.94	8.99	9.11	9.02	9.00
February	8.95	8.95	9.00	9.06	9.05	9.01
March	9.08	9.03	9.08	9.18	9.10	9.10
April	9.07	9.07	9.10	—	—	9.13
May	9.19	9.14	9.18	9.28	9.20	9.20
June	—	—	9.19	—	—	9.22
July	9.25	9.21	9.24	9.33	9.27	9.27
August	—	—	9.25	—	—	9.28
September	—	—	9.25	—	—	9.28
October	9.27	9.23	9.27	9.33	9.29	9.29
November	—	—	9.27	—	—	9.29
December	9.29	9.26	9.30	9.36	9.36	9.32
January	9.30	9.27	9.30	9.34	9.33	9.32

The Alexandria General Produce Association quote fully good fair futures (in 100ths of a dollar per cantar of 99.05lb.) as follows:—

—	To-day 1st report	To-day Close	Previous close
Ashmouni, February	19.07	19.06	19.10
" April	19.60	19.56	19.61
Sakellaridis, March	27.64	27.64	27.67
" May	28.24	28.25	28.28
" July	—	28.67	28.74

Receipts to-day, 2,219 bales, against 2,258 a year ago.

MANCHESTER, Jan. 28.—The market was again rather quiet; there was only a small demand for cloth, and the arrangement of terms was a difficult matter owing to the lowness of the majority of the bids. Matters were not helped by the easiness of cotton. The political situation in India caused dealers in that market to operate cautiously, and only small lots of dhooties, mulls, light bleaching cloths and fancies were taken mostly for prompt delivery. The Near East, Morocco, and Persia purchased numerous small lots of bleachers and finishing cloths. South America made some provision in dyed goods and cashmeres. West and South Africa were responsible for a steady trade, and fine cloths were inquired for in small lots by the Continent. Buying for home consumption was a shade more active, and included some good lots of rayon dress fabrics. Spinners of American and Egyptian yarns complained of the absence of demand. Prices were poor, and stocks are now beginning to increase.

WOOL

LONDON, Jan. 28.—The Colonial wool auctions were continued with a good selection representing over 10,000 bales, which met increasing competition from the home and foreign sections at prices occasionally ruling in sellers' favour, both for merino and crossbred descriptions. Poor conditioned greasy merinos and Victorian scoured merino and crossbred qualities were frequently taken in, but withdrawals generally were on a much smaller scale. Chief among the scoured portion of the Australian merinos was the N.Z. and A. Land Company's "Eddington" clip from Queensland, representing over 250 bales; most of the combing was secured for the home trade, the best at 29½d., while several bales of clothing were run up to 35d. for the Continent, the top price of the series; several good lines of greasy were received from the same source, the best from 300 bales marked "Daandine" realizing 15½d.; another larger clip, "Retro," containing over 550 bales, was practically all sold, the best at 14½d.; the finest qualities of greasy merino were represented in speculators' lots from Victoria which found ready buyers, the best included in several bales marked "D D/Springvale" realizing 19½d. The New Zealand crossbred selection had a good sale both to home and Continental buyers, the best greasy at 13½d., and slipe halfbred lambs from the "C M C/Eclipse" brand at 16d.; a few lots of the last-named description were withdrawn, the bids failing to reach sellers' limits. The Cape wool, consisting chiefly of greasy qualities, practically all cleared, the finest combing marked "G. Edelsten/Vaalkraal" at 13d. per lb. The catalogues were made up of 2,773 bales from New South Wales, 2,198 Queensland, 1,771 Victorian, 352 South and 729 West Australian, 1,959 New Zealand, and 431 bales from the Cape.

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN PRODUCE

LONDON, Jan. 28.—Sugar.—British refined was in fair request at last prices. Tate's London and Lyle's No. 2 granulated, 22s.; T L granulated, 21s. 6d. Home grown granulated, Jan., ex Ely, Cantley and Ipswich, quoted 20s. 10½d. (3d. less ex London); Anglo-Scottish, 20s. 10½d., ex factory; T L, ex refinery and wharf, 20s. 9d.; West Indian crystallized, spot, quoted 20s. 6d. to 23s.; white Mauritius, spot, quoted 19s. 6d. to 20s.; 99 per cent., Jan., quoted 11s., value, c.i.f. White Java, Jan.-Feb., quoted 11s., c.i.f., Europe; Jan.-March, 10s. 7½d., c. and f., India. Czech granulated, prompt, quoted 9s. 7½d.; April-Aug., 9s. 10½d., f.o.b., Hamburg. Dutch granulated, prompt, quoted 10s., f.o.b., Rotterdam. Polish crystals, prompt, quoted 8s. 9d., f.o.b., Danzig. Raws were steady; preferential, 96 per cent., Jan.-Feb., quoted 11s. 3d., value; Peruvian and Brazil 96 per cent., afloat, sold at 7s. 3d.; Feb., quoted 7s. 6d.; March, 7s. 7½d.; 20,000 tons Cuban 96 per cent., Feb., were sold recently by Single Selling Agency for destinations outside U.S.A. at 1.50 cents, f.o.b., equal to about 7s. 9d. per cwt., c.i.f., U.K.

White sugar futures were quiet. March delivery sold at 9s. 3d. Calls:—

Month	10.30 a.m. Sellers	10.30 a.m. Buyers	3.15 p.m. Sellers	3.15 p.m. Buyers	4.15 p.m. Sellers	4.15 p.m. Buyers
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Jan.	9 1½	8 7½	9 0¾	8 6	9 0	8 7½
March	9 3	9 2¼	9 2¼	9 0	9 2¼	9 0
May	9 10½	9 9	9 9¾	9 7½	9 9¾	9 6¾
Aug.	10 6¾	10 1½	10 4½	10 3	10 4½	10 3

Raw sugar futures were easy under continued selling; Feb. delivery sold from 5s. 8½d. to 5s. 6d.; March, from 5s. 9¾d. to 5s. 6¾d.; May, from 7s. 3¾d. to 7s. 1½d.; Aug., from 8s. 0¾d. to 7s. 9¾d., and at 7s. 9d. and 7s. 9¾d. (combined); Dec., from 8s. 3¾d. to 8s. 2¼d. Calls (88 per cent. beet):—

Month	10.30 a.m. Sellers	10.30 a.m. Buyers	3.15 p.m. Sellers	3.15 p.m. Buyers	4.15 p.m. Sellers	4.15 p.m. Buyers
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Jan.	6 6	5 4½	6 3	5 3	6 3	5 3
Mar.	5 9½	5 9	5 7½	5 6¾	5 7½	5 6¾
May	7 3¾	7 3	7 1½	7 0¾	7 1½	7 0¾
Aug.	8 0	7 11¼	7 9¾	7 9	7 9¾	7 9
Oct.	8 3	8 0¾	8 0¾	7 9¾	8 0	7 9¾
Dec.	8 3¾	8 3	8 2¼	8 1½	8 2¼	8 1½

COFFEE.—At auction 4,206 packages were offered. All good quality sorts were in active request and made firm rates, while other kinds were steady. Costa Rica, bold grey-greenish to fine colour, sold from 104s. to 171s. 6d.; medium, 60s. to 118s.; small, 52s. 6d.; peas, 106s. 6d. to 146s.; Kenya bold grey-greenish and greenish, 121s. 6d. to 162s. 6d.; medium, 84s. to 124s. 6d.; small, 72s. 6d. to 77s. 6d.; Uganda, bold grey, 70s. to 78s. 6d.; robusta, 54s.; East Indian, bold colour, 127s. 6d. to 142s. 6d.; medium, 99s. to 106s. 6d.; small, 80s. to 82s. 6d.; peas, 138s. to 144s.; triage, 87s. to 89s. Futures nominal.

COCOA.—Accra was steady; fair fermented, Feb.-April, sold at 40s. 6d. per cwt., and sellers; March-May quoted 41s. 3d., sellers, f.o.b. Futures were steady. July delivery sold at 45s. 6d. Sales, 50 tons. Calls (Accra cocoa):—

Month	11 a.m. Sellers	11 a.m. Buyers	4 p.m. Sellers	4 p.m. Buyers	4.50 p.m. Sellers	4.50 p.m. Buyers
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Feb.	44 1½	43 10½	44 3	43 6	44 6	43 6
March	44 3	44 0	44 4½	43 9	44 6	43 9
May	44 10½	44 7½	44 10½	44 6	44 10½	44 6
July	45 7½	45 4½	45 9	45 4½	45 9	45 4½
Sept.	46 4½	46 3	46 6	46 3	46 6	46 3
Dec.	46 6	46 3	46 6	46 1½	46 6	46 0

TEA.—At auction 27,000 packages of Ceylon grades were offered. The market was unchanged. Demand was good and well distributed; up to 9d. prices were steady, but some irregularity was again noticeable in useful common and plain medium brokens between 9d. and 1s. 2d., especially light liquoring sorts. For good medium to fine kinds competition was active, the teas with strength or standout flavour in cup being in keen request at full to dearer rates. There were more export orders. Common broken Pekoe sold from 8½d. to 11d.; medium broken Pekoe from 11½d. to 1s. 4d.; fine and finest broken Pekoe and broken orange Pekoe from 1s. 6d. to 2s. 7¼d.

RICE was quiet. Burma No. 2, cleaned, spot, quoted 14s. per cwt.; Feb.-March, in singles to Continent and U.K., 12s.; No. 3, doubles to Levant, Feb.-March, 12s., sellers, c.i.f.

RANGOON BEANS were quiet. Handpicked, white, spot, quoted 14s. per cwt.; Feb.-March, 12s., c.i.f., U.K.

SAGO FLOUR was steady. Jan.-Feb. quoted 11s. 9d. per cwt., sellers, c.i.f., U.K.

TAPIOCA was steady. Fine Java, spot, quoted 28s. 6d. per cwt.; Jan., 26s. 6d., value, c.i.f. Fair flake Singapore, Jan.-Feb., quoted 15s. 9d., sellers, c.i.f., Havre. Seed pearl, Jan.-Feb., quoted 15s. 6d., value, c.i.f. Java seed, spot, quoted 25s.; Jan., 24s., value, c.i.f.

SPICES.—The pepper market was generally firm on more support and reserved sellers. Black Singapore, spot, quoted 1s. per lb.; Lampong, 11⅝d.; white Muntok, sold at 1s. 4½d. To arrive black Singapore, f.a.q., Jan.-March, quoted 11½d., value; Lampong, Jan.-March, sold at 11⅝d.; March-May at 11⅞d.; white Muntok, Jan.-March, at 1s. 3⅞d.; March-May from 1s. 4d. to 1s. 4⅛d.; Tellicherry, Feb.-April, quoted 115s. per cwt.; Aleppy, 110s., sellers, c.i.f., delivered weight. Cloves quiet; Zanzibar, spot, quoted 9⅝d., sellers; Jan.-Feb., 8¾d., sellers, c.i.f.

RUBBER.—Plantation grades opened steadier on a fair inquiry and better American advices, but at the close the market was quieter and below the best. Smoked sheet, spot and Feb., sold from 7⅝d. to 7⅞d. per lb. and sellers; March from 7 11/16d. to 7¾d. to 7⅝d. and sellers; April-June from 7 15/16d. to 7⅞d. and sellers; July-Sept. from 8⅛d. to 8⅛d. and sellers; Oct.-Dec. from 8⅛d. to 8⅜d. and sellers; crêpe, spot, from 7⅝d. to 7½d. and sellers. In the shipment market smoked sheet, Feb.-March, sold at 7⅝d.; March-April at 7¾d., c.i.f., New York. Para grades firm; hard fine, spot, quoted 8⅝d., sellers.

GAMBIER was quiet. Good marks, Feb.-March, quoted 27s. 6d. per cwt., value, c.i.f.

SHELLAC.—The spot market was quiet; T.N. orange, basis fair, quoted 150s. per cwt.; A.C. 185s., sellers. Futures were easier; T.N., March delivery, quoted 142s., sellers; May delivery sold at 145s.; Aug. delivery quoted 147s., sellers. Shipment market quiet; T.N. in bags, Jan.-Feb., quoted 140s., sellers, c.i.f. Calcutta cable dated Jan. 28 gives:—Spot, quoted Rs.67, sellers; Feb. sold at Rs.67; March quoted Rs.67, value.

HEMP.—Manila grades were irregular. Grade J declined in value but below this grade prices were steady to firm. Grade J, Jan.-March, sold from £33 5s. to £33 10s. per ton, and value; K, afloat, and Jan.-March, at £31 10s., and value; L, No. 1, Jan.-March, quoted £29 5s., buyers; No. 2, £26 10s., value; M, No. 1, £26 10s., value; No. 2, £25, sellers, c.i.f. African sisal unchanged; Tanganyika and Kenya, No. 1, good marks, Jan.-Feb., quoted £34 10s., f.a.q., £34, value, c.i.f. Mexican sisal steady, unchanged.

JUTE was dull and prices marked a decline of 2s. 6d. per ton in the absence of support. First marks, Jan.-Feb., sold at £26 10s. per ton, and sellers; Feb.-March, at £26 17s. 6d., and sellers; March-April, at £27 2s. 6d., and sellers; April-May quoted £27 10s., sellers; lightnings, Feb.-March, sold at £25 5s., and value; March-April quoted £25 7s. 6d., value; hearts, Jan.-Feb., quoted £22 10s., sellers; Daisee, 2 and 3, Jan.-Feb., quoted £23 15s., sellers; Tossa, 2 and 3, Jan.-Feb., quoted £25 15s., sellers, c.i.f. Calcutta cable dated Jan. 28 gives:—Firsts, spot, quoted Rs.54 8a.; lightnings, Rs.50, sellers.

HESSIANS AND TWILLS were quiet; 10oz., spot, quoted 24s.; Jan.-March, 23s. 9d., sellers; 8oz., spot, quoted 21s.; Jan.-March, 19s. 9d., sellers, per 100 yds.; Liverpool twills, Jan.-March, quoted 64s. 6d.; B, 57s. 6d., sellers, per 100 bags, c.i.f.

COPRA was steady. Singapore, f.m.s., Jan.-Feb., quoted £22 11s. 3d. per ton, buyers, net terms, c.i.f., Rotterdam. Ceylon, f.m.s., Jan.-Feb., quoted £23 17s. 6d., buyers c.i.f., net terms, usual ports. Dutch East Indies, f.m.s., Jan.-Feb., quoted £22 11s. 3d., buyers, c.i.f., one port. Mixed (no Pad.), Jan.-Feb., quoted £21 12s. 6d., buyers. South Sea, kiln-dried, £21 7s. 6d., buyers, c.i.f., Marseilles.

TANNED EAST INDIA GOATSKINS.—Messrs. Dyster, Nalder and Co. report that at auction 947,940 Madras and 310,200 Bombay skins were offered. Madras tannages met a good demand. In consignments of stoutish substance, average results in middle class descriptions were approximately 1d. per lb., and in prime manufactures 2d. to 3d. per lb. below last sales' prices. The best descriptions of Bombay sold without alteration in average value, while other kinds of Bombay and Kurrachee in actual sales marked a decline of 2d. per lb.; common kinds and old imports being in limited request. The total sales were 785,000 Madras and 135,000 Bombay skins.

SEEDS AND OILS

LONDON (THE BALTIC EXCHANGE), Jan. 28.—LINSEED was steady but inactive with Indian descriptions rather harder to buy. Calcutta, April-May (new) to London, £19 12s. 6d., nom.; bold Bombay, Feb.-March (new), £20 5s.; March-April, £20, sellers. La Plata, Jan.-Feb., to Hull, £17 15s.; Feb.-March to April-May, £17 17s. 6d., sellers. RAPESEED was quiet. Toria, Feb.-March and March-April to Hull-Continent, £16, sellers. COTTONSEED was quiet. Bombay, Jan.-Feb., to Hull, £7 10s., sellers. Egyptian black, on passage to Hull, £7 12s. 6d., taken; Feb., £7 15s., sellers; March, £7 16s. 3d., taken. Sakellaridis, Feb., £7 8s. 9d.; March, £7 11s. 3d., sellers. CASTORSEED was steady. Bombay, Feb.-March, to Hull, £15 12s. 6d.; March-April, £15 12s. 6d., sellers. GROUNDNUTS were firm. Coromandel (machined), to Rotterdam-Hamburg, Feb.-March, £17 2s. 6d.; March-April, £17 5s.; April-May, £17 6s. 3d., paid; May-June, £17 7s. 6d., paid. PALM KERNELS were quiet. To Hamburg, Jan.-Feb., £16 11s. 3d.; Feb.-March, £16 13s. 9d.; and March-April, £16 17s. 6d., sellers. LINSEED OIL was steady but quiet; spot, ex-mill, £44 10s.; Feb., £40 2s. 6d.; March-April, £38 15s.; May-Aug., £38 10s., naked. RAPE OIL was inactive. Crude, extracted, £40; technical refined, £41 10s., naked, ex-wharf. COTTONOIL was steady. Egyptian crude, £29; refined common edible, £34 and deodorized, £36, naked, ex-mill. TURPENTINE was quiet and 3d. per cwt. lower. American, spot, 42s. 9d.; and Feb.-April, 43s. 3d.

HULL, Jan. 28.—LINSEED OIL.—Spot, £43 15s.; Jan., £43 12s. 6d.; Feb., £41 12s. 6d.; March-April, £39 12s. 6d.; May-Aug., £39 7s. 6d. per ton, naked. COTTON OIL.—Crude, spot, £28; edible refined, spot, £31 10s.; technical, spot, £30 15s.; deodorized, spot, £33 10s. per ton, naked. PALM KERNEL OIL.—Crude, 5½ per cent., spot, £31 10s. per ton, naked. GROUNDNUT OIL.—Crushed/extracted, spot, £35; deodorized, spot, £39 per ton. SOYA OIL.—Extracted and crushed, spot, £30 10s.; deodorized, spot, £34 per ton. RAPE OIL.—Crushed/extracted, spot, £39 10s.; refined, spot, £41 10s. per ton. TURPENTINE.—Spot, 45s. 3d. per cwt. CASTOR OIL and COD OIL unchanged.

METALS AND MINERALS

LONDON, Jan. 28.—COPPER.—Trading on the standard was rather more active for early delivery, but forward was quiet at the higher prices generally asked. On balance cash was unchanged and three months 5s. 7½d. higher. Sales, 800 tons; cash at £72 5s. to £71 12s. 6d.; Jan., £71 17s. 6d. to £71 7s. 6d.; Feb., £71 5s. to £70 15s.; early Feb., £71 10s.; and three months, £68 10s. Settlement price, £71 12s. 6d. In the afternoon Jan. sold at £71 10s. to £71 15s. to £71 10s. Feb., £71 7s. 6d.; and three months at £68 10s. The refined market was quiet with electrolytic unchanged to 5s. higher and wire bars 5s. dearer. Wire bars for second half Feb. arrival sold at £84 1s. 3d., c.i.f.

TIN.—Eastern advices gave 325 tons sold at £179 7s. 6d., c.i.f., an advance of 55s. Firmer advices from the U.S. and the Straits, and the increase in adherents to the curtailment scheme led to a firmer tone and sellers were more reserved. Trading was mostly in forward, but all positions sold at higher prices. On balance cash was 30s. 3d. and three months 33s. 9d. higher. Cash sold at £175 to £176 5s.; Feb., £176 10s. to £175 15s.; April, £178 5s. to £178 to £179 and three months at £177 10s. to £179 12s. 6d. Settlement price, £176 10s. In the late trade April sold at £180 to £180 17s. 6d., and three months at £180 5s. to £181. English common tin closed firm at £178.

Shipments from the Straits from Jan. 1 to 27 totalled 7,565 tons.

Shipments of tin from Batavia from Dec. 26 to Jan. 25 totalled 1,191 tons, against 1,276 tons in the previous month.

LEAD was in quieter demand and near and forward were reduced 1s. 3d. Sales, 300 tons of April at £21 11s. 3d. Settlement price, £21 12s. 6d. The afternoon market was idle. English remained unchanged at £23.

SPELTER met a quieter inquiry and near and forward closed 1s. 3d. lower. Sales, 200 tons; Feb., at £19 17s. 6d. April, £20 6s. 3d.; and May, at £20 10s. Settlement price, £19 17s. 6d. At the second session April sold at £20 8s. 9d., and June at £20 16s. 3d. and £20 15s.

TINPLATES were steady at 18s. 9d., basis I.C., f.o.b., South Wales. ZINC SHEETS.—English, £30 to £31 per ton, ex warehouse. ALUMINIUM.—Ingots and bars for home delivery, £95 per ton. ANTIMONY quiet. English regulus, £42 10s. to £50; foreign, spot, £31 10s. per ton, ex warehouse. WOLFRAM.—Straits quoted 33s. to 35s. per unit, c.i.f. NICKEL, £170 per ton. PLATINUM.—Refined steady but quiet at £12 10s. to £13 per oz. QUICKSILVER quoted £23 5s. per unit, c.i.f.

OFFICIAL CLOSING QUOTATIONS

	To-day	Prev. day
	£ s. d. £ s. d.	£ s. d. £ s. d.
COPPER—Std. cash	71 10 0 to 71 12 6	71 10 0 to 71 12 6
Three mths.	68 8 9 — 68 10 0	68 2 6 — 68 5 0
Electrolytic	83 5 0 — 84 0 0	83 5 0 — 83 15 0
Wirebars	84 0 0	83 15 0
Best selected	76 10 0 — 77 15 0	76 10 0 — 77 15 0
Strong sheets	110 0 0	110 0 0
TIN—Std. cash	176 7 6 — 176 10 0	174 10 0 — 174 15 0
Three mths.	179 10 0 — 179 12 6	177 15 0 — 178 0 0
*LEAD—Good soft pig, net	21 11 3 — 21 11 3	21 12 6 — 21 12 6
*SPELTER	19 16 3 — 20 6 3	19 17 6 — 20 7 6

* For shipment during the current and third following month.

Unofficial closing quotations:—COPPER, cash, £71 11s. 3d.; three months, £68 10s. TIN, cash, £177 17s. 6d.; three months, £181. LEAD, near, £21 11s. 3d.; forward, £21 11s. 3d. SPELTER, near, £19 16s. 3d.; forward, £20 8s. 9d.

IRON AND STEEL.—Conditions in the iron and steel trades show some improvement compared with those which have ruled since Christmas, says the official report of the London Iron and Steel Exchange. The Continental steel makers appear to be adhering to the prices recently fixed and buyers are beginning to take more interest in the market. This is particularly the case in the overseas markets, but a similar tendency is noticeable among buyers in this country. The British works have received a fair share of the orders passing and lately have taken some business which usually goes to the Continent. Nevertheless, conditions in the British steel industry are irregular and while some works report that they are comparatively well off for orders, others are finding conditions difficult and business scarce. Steady trading conditions prevail in the pig iron market, but consumers show little inclination to buy forward. Most of the transactions reported concern small parcels for comparatively early delivery. Some competition has been experienced from Continental iron, but so far this does not appear to have extended to the inland districts. In the semi-finished steel department there has been a fair amount of inquiry and while a fair amount of business has gone to the Continent, some business has been diverted to British works owing to the conditions prevailing in the Continental markets. The demand for finished steel continues irregular, but the home trade demand appears to be improving. The inquiry on export account has improved lately.

MIDDLESBROUGH, Jan. 28.—Prices of pig iron remain steady but buyers are not eager to place orders as they hope for easier quotations in view of the fact that the materials used in the production of pig iron are cheaper. Cleveland No. 3 is 72s. 6d. and No. 1 foundry 75s. No. 4 foundry and No. 4 forge are 71s. 6d. and 71s. respectively. East Coast hematite, mixed numbers, are obtainable at 78s. The steel market is generally stationary, though galvanized sheets are obtainable at £12. Furnace coke is unaltered at 22s. and Rubio ore at 22s. 6d., c.i.f., Tees. Shipments of pig iron from Middlesbrough to date this month total 15,800 tons, which compares with 10,800 tons for the corresponding period last month. Rubio ore imports aggregate 172,800 tons.

MEAT AND FISH

LONDON, Jan. 28.—SMITHFIELD MEAT.—Supplies amounted to 1,105 tons, made up of 230 tons of British and Irish produce and 875 tons of imported. Imports formed 79.2 per cent.

BEEF (per 8lb.).—English, long sides, 5s. 4d. to 5s. 10d.; Irish (Birkenhead killed), 5s. 2d. to 5s. 8d.; Argentine hindqrs., chilled, 4s. 8d. to 4s. 11d.; foreqrs., chilled, 3s. 8d. to 3s. 9d.; Uruguayan hindqrs., chilled, 4s. 4d. to 4s. 6d.; Brazilian hindqrs., chilled, 4s. 3d. to 4s. 4d.; Australian hindqrs., frozen, 4s. 4d.; crops, frozen, 3s. 4d.

MUTTON (per 8lb.).—Scotch, 6s. 8d. to 7s. 8d.; tegs, 7s. 8d. to 8s. 8d.; English, 6s. 4d. to 7s. 4d.; tegs, 7s. 4d. to 8s. 4d.; ewes, 4s. to 5s.; New Zealand wethers, 4s. 10d. to 5s. 6d.; ewes, 3s. 6d. to 3s. 10d.; Australian wethers, 4s. to 4s. 4d.; ewes, 3s. 4d. to 3s. 6d.; Argentine wethers, 4s. 6d. to 4s. 10d.

PORK (per 8lb.).—English, under 10st., 9s. 4d. to 9s. 8d.; 10st. to 13st., 8s. 8d. to 9s. 8d.; New Zealand, 7s. to 7s. 4d.; States, 6s. 8d. to 7s.; sows, 6s. to 6s. 4d.

LAMB (per 8lb.).—New Zealand, 7s. 2d. to 8s. 2d.; Australian, 6s. to 6s. 8d.; Argentine, 5s. 4d. to 6s. 2d.

VEAL (per 8lb.).—English, fat, 7s. 4d. to 9s.; specials 9s. 4d. to 10s. 4d.; bobbies, 5s. 4d. to 6s. 8d.

POULTRY, GAME, &c.—Surrey chicken (per lb.), 1s. 3d. to 1s. 7d.; country, 1s. to 1s. 4d.; Irish, fatted, 1s. 2d. to 1s. 4d.; lean, 11d. to 1s. 1d.; Belgian, 1s. 3d. to 1s. 4d.; French, 1s. 1d. to 1s. 2d.; Dutch, yellow, 1s. 1d. to 1s. 2d.; white, 1s. 4d. to 1s. 5d.; Russian, 1s. 2d. to 1s. 3d.; English hens, old, 9d. to 11d.; country ducklings, 1s. 1d. to 1s. 3d.; English geese, 10d. to 1s. 1d.; rabbits, wild, 6d. to 7½d.; turkeys, Italian, 10d. to 11d.; Hungarian, 10d. to 11d.; Irish, 1s. to 1s. 2d.; French, 10d. to 1s.; pheasants, best, each, 3s. 9d. to 4s.; Scotch hares, 1s. to 1s. 3d.; English leverets, 1s. 6d. to 1s. 9d.; hares, 2s. to 2s. 3d.; partridges, English, best, 1s. 9d. to 2s.

EGGS (per 120).—English, packed to National Mark, specials, 22s. 3d. to 23s.; standards, 21s. to 21s. 6d.; pullet, standards, 18s. 6d. to 18s. 9d.; ordinary packing, grade 1, 19s. 6d. to 20s. 6d.; Belgian, 15½lb., 12s. 9d. to 13s.; Dutch, 18lb., all brown, 16s. to 16s. 6d.; 16-16½lb., all brown, 14s. to 14s. 6d.; 16lb., mixed, 13s. to 13s. 3d.

BILLINGSGATE FISH.—Consignments totalled 676 tons. There was a keen demand for prime selections at firm prices.—Quotations:—Soles, 1s. 3d. to 1s. 5d.; slips, 1s. 2d. to 1s. 5d.; mullet, 1s. 6d. to 1s. 9d.; whitebait, 1s. to 1s. 3d.; lobsters, 2s. to 3s.; crabs, 3d. to 1s. 1d.; prawns, 1s. 6d. to 8s. per lb.; Dory and Roker, 6s. to 7s.; turbot, 10s. to 13s.; brill and witches, 8s. to 10s.; lemon soles, 11s. to 16s. 6d.; halibut, 10s. to 17s.; live cod 4s. to 7s.; plaice, 9s. to 12s. 6d.; dry haddocks, 8s. 2d. to 12s. 10d.; haddocks, 5s. to 6s. 6d.; whiting, 2s. to 5s.; gurnet, 3s. to 4s.; skate, 3s. 6d. to 5s. 6d.; hake, 9s. to 14s.; conger eels, 2s. 6d. to 4s. 6d.; fresh English and Scotch herrings, 2s. 6d. to 5s. per stone; live eels, 16s. to 28s. per draught; bloaters, 6s.; kippers, 3s. 6d. to 4s. 6d.; red herrings, 5s.; fillets, 3s. 6d. per box; Whitstable native oysters, 28s. to 46s.; Brittany, 16s. to 20s.; Dutch, 10s. to 20s.; Pyefleet, 38s. to 50s.; Portuguese, 7s. 6d.; bluepoint, 6s. to 8s. per 100; English brown shrimps, 1s. 6d.; pink, 2s., and Dutch, 1s. to 1s. 6d. per gall.

GRIMSBY, Jan. 28.—FISH.—A good supply was landed from 56 North Sea, two Iceland, and three Faroe Islands trawlers and four liners. Demand was fair. Plaice, 9s. 6d.; lemon soles, 14s.; halibut, 18s. to 21s.; cod, 3s. to 5s.; skate, 8s. to 9s.; small haddock, 2s. 6d.; kit haddock, 7s.; gibbed haddock, 7s. 6d.; dabs, 8s. to 11s.; codling, 4s. to 5s. per stone. Soles, 1s. 5d.; turbot, 9d. to 1s.; and brill, 11d. per lb.

MARINE INSURANCE

BRITISH STEAMER LOST

News received yesterday showed that the British steamer KNEBWORTH, bound from Blythe for Bayonne, had stranded near Bayonne, and that the vessel had broken in two. The KNEBWORTH, a vessel of 2,555 tons, managed by R. S. Dalgliesh, Limited, was built in 1919, and it is understood that the insured value of the hull is £35,000.

The British steamer EVERLEIGH was withdrawn from the reinsurance market, as it was reported that she had proceeded to Lisbon. The vessel, which was bound from Barry for Santos on her maiden voyage, was reported in distress in latitude 42.48 N., longitude 10.22 W. (North Atlantic), on January 27, and 40 per cent. was quoted in the London market.

A report was received concerning the Italian steamer SEBETO, bound from Melilla for Rotterdam, which was reported in distress in latitude 45.57 N., longitude 7.22 W. (Bay of Biscay), stating that she no longer required assistance, and the vessel was withdrawn from the insurance market.

At a meeting of the members of the Institute of London Underwriters yesterday Mr. C. H. Buncombe, late London underwriter to the Canton Insurance Office, Limited, was presented by his colleagues with an antique bracket clock bearing an appropriate inscription. The presentation was made by Mr. G. A. T. Darby, the chairman of the Institute.

REINSURANCE RATES

The following reinsurance rates are now being quoted in the London market:—

Vessel	Voyage and Casualty	Guineas per cent.
P. G. HALVORSEN	Tyne, Nov. 15, for Santander. Ashore near Suances	80
KOSTANTIS LEMOS	Hamburg, Dec. 6, for Antwerp. Ashore near Ording	20
BALTABOR	London, Dec. 20, for Riga. Ashore Nargen Island	60
EDWARD LUCKENBACH	Everett, Dec. 16, for Boston. Ashore Block Island	10
RYUYO MARU	Shimonoseki, Dec. 29, for Vancouver. Reported rudder post broken, disabled, adrift near Aleutian Islands, Jan. 11	10
MONTE CERVANTES	Buenos Aires, Jan. 15, and Magallanes, Jan. 20, for Ushuwaia. Ashore Beagle Channel, near Eclaireurs Lighthouse	90
LITIOPA	Los Angeles, Dec. 20, for Yokohama	50
IVO RACIC	Cardiff, Jan. 20, for Venice. In distress, Jan. 26, lat. 40·40 N., long. 10·40 W.	10

HAMBURG COFFEE MARKET

HAMBURG, Jan. 28.—The market opened firm at an advance of 1¾ to ½ and closed steady 1½ to ½ dearer. Quotations (Reichsmarks per 50 kilos):—March, 41¼ (previous, 39⅝); May, 40¼ (39⅛); Sept., 39½ (39); Dec., 39 (38½). Yesterday's sales amounted to 5,000 bags.

Reports of proceedings under the heading "Company Meetings" are inserted as advertisements, but care is taken to ensure that they are trustworthy.

CONTINENTAL BOURSE QUOTATIONS

PARIS, Jan. 28.—The following are closing quotations on the Bourse:—

3% Perpetual Rentes, 89.60 (previous closing, 89.85); 5% Rentes, 1915-16, 104.75 (104.75); 4% Rentes, 1917, 100.70 (100.60); 4% Rentes, 1918, 99.80 (99.75); 5% Rentes, 1920, 136.65 (136.65); 6% Rentes, 1920, 103.70 (103.85); 6% Rentes, 1927, 108.85 (108.90); 6% Credit National, 1919, 609 (610); 5% Credit National, 1920, 550 (551); 6% Credit National, 1921, 567 (566); 6% Credit National, 1922 (1st), 543 (543); 6% Credit National, 1923 (1st), 575 (578); 6% Credit National, 1924, 578 (580); 4% Egyptian Unified, 392 (393); 3½% Italian Rentes, 90 (—); 4% Japanese, 1905, 484.75 (484.25); 5% Russian, 1906, 8 (8.40); 4½% Russian, 1909, 4.60 (4.70); 4% Turkish Unified, 95 (94.60); Banque de France, 25,800 (25,600); Banque de Paris, 3,150 (3,155); Banque Parisienne, 2,270 (2,255); Comptoir National d'Escompte, 2,090 (2,075); Credit Foncier Egyptien, 4,165 (4,180); Credit Lyonnais, 3,235 (3,255); Banque d'Orient, 362 (351); Banque Ottomane, 1,358 (1,355); Suez Canal Shares, 21,000 (20,900); Chargeurs Reunis, 756 (756); Messageries Maritimes, 232 (231); Transatlantique, 1,130 (1,136); Raffinerie Say, 2,070 (2,050); Sucreries d'Egypte, 1,022 (1,050); Wagons Lits, 692 (696); Thomson Houston, 1,245 (1,250); Lautaro Nitrate, 399 (395); Ford of France, 185 (188); Rio Tinto, 5,635 (5,625); Tharsis, 611 (613); De Beers, 1,216 (1,220); De Beers, Preferred, 1,564 (1,565); Jagersfontein Estate, 253 (254); Central Mining, 2,250 (2,220); Chartered, 249 (247); Brakpan, 485 (494); Crown Mines, 413 (414); East Rand, 73 (74); Geduld, 431 (432); General Mining, 100 (101); Consolidated Goldfields, 273 (274); Johannesburg Consolidated, 270 (274); Randfontein Estate, 39 (38); Rand Mines, 392 (393); Tanganyika, 336 (337); Transvaal Consolidated, 192 (192); Union Corporation, 442 (442); Mexico Mines of El Oro, 85 (86); Mozambique, 78 (76); West Rand Mines Consolidated, 41 (42); Caoutchoucs, 208 (207); Easter International, 141 (140); Gula Kalumpong, 169 (165); Kuala Lumpur, 237 (230); Malacca, 228 (224); Mexican Eagle, 165 (164); Royal Dutch, 41,000 (40,850); Shell Transport, 586 (587); Platine, 1,936 (1,950); Lianosoff, 113 (114); Baku (Naphte), 620 (620); Oceana Consolidated, 20 (20.25). Exchange on New York, 25.46¾ (25.46½); exchange on London, official average, 123.88½ (123.91); cheques, closing market rate, 123.89 (123.89); private discount rate, 3⅜% (3⅜%).—*Reuter*.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 28.—Closing quotations:—6% Dutch, 1922, 103 11/16 (previous, 104); 5% Dutch, 102 (102); 2½% Dutch, 65⅞ (65⅝); 3% Dutch, 77¾ (77 7/16); 4% Brazilian, 1889, 49½ (49⅞); Peruvian, 12⅝ (12⅝); Peruvian, 4% Cum. Pref., 54⅞ (54¼); United States Steel, 178 11/16 (181); Royal Dutch, Petroleum, 398½ (400); Anaconda, 151¼ (151); Deli Batavia Rubber, 99⅞ (97); Deli Batavia Tobacco, 379 (380); Senembah Mij, 396 (396¼); Amsterdam Rubber, 169½ (166½); Margarine Unie, 350 (358¼); Philips Lamps, 509 (513½). Exchange on Berlin, 59.48 (59.47); London, 12.11⅛ (12.10 15/16); New York, 2.48 15/16 (2.48 15/16); Paris, 9.77¾ (9.77½).

BERLIN, Jan. 28.—Closing quotations:—Duetsche Erdoel, 103.40 (previous, 105.75); Dynamit Nobel, 78.75 (81.50); Kali Industrie Kassel, 202.75 (200.75); Salzdetfurth, 368.50 (372.50); Rheinbraunkohlen, 255 (249.50); Rhein. Westfael. Elekt., 182.75 (182.50).

Reuter's quotations:—German Loan Liquidation Debt, 8.10 (previous, 8.20); Mexican Consols, 20.50 (20.62); Reichsbank, 291 (289); Berliner Handelsgesellschaft, 183 (183.75); Commerz and Privat Bank, 157 (157); Darmstadter National Bank, 239.25 (240.50); Deutsche Bank and Disconto Gesellschaft, 150.50 (150.60); Dresdner Bank, 151.50 (151.25); Gelsenkirchen Bergwerke, 141.90 (141.50); Harpener, 140.75 (141.90); Allgemeine Elekt., 170.40 (171.25); Farbenindustrie, 166 (171.60); Farbenindustrie 6% Deb., 101 (101.87); Hamburg Amerika, 103 (104); Norddeutsche Lloyd, 104 (104.25); A.K.U., 119.25 (120); Vereinigte Stahlwerke, 102.75 (103.75); Svenska Tandsticks, 340.50 (347); Polyphon, 263.50 (265.50); Siemens and Halske, 273.25 (278.75); Schuckert, 182.40 (185.50). Exchange on London, 20.35⅞ (20.35⅞); Paris, 16.43½ (16.43); Amsterdam, 168.12 (168.10); New York, 4.18½ (4.18½). Private discount rates:—Short term (30-55 days), 6% (6%); long term (55-90 days), 6% (6%); call money, 4½-6½% (4½-6½%).

VIENNA, Jan. 28.—Closing quotations:—Gar. Oest. Voelkerbundanl (Austrian Issue), 105.75 (previous, 106.25); Donau-Save-Adria-Bahn (formerly Sudbahn Pref.), 92.95 (93.40); Donau-Save-Adria-Bahn (formerly Sudbahn), 11.15 (11.10); Oest. Nationalbank, 329 (330); Wiener Bank-Verein, 21.25 (21.25); Oest. Credit-Anstalt, 51.10 (51); Ungar. Allg. Credit Bank, 95 (94.90); Niederoest. Eskompte, 171.50 (171); Zivnostanska Banka, — (106.50); Donau-Dampschiffahrts, 37.25 (35.25); A.E.G. Union Elekt., 29.01 (29); Oest. Brown-Boveri, — (180); Oest. Siemens Schuckert, 185 (183.25); Salgo Tarjaner Steinkohlen, 62.55 (63.70); Ungar. Allg. Kohlen, 830 (—); Oest. Alpine Montan, 35.80 (35.75); Felten and Guilleaume, 58 (56.75); Galiz Karpathen Petroleum, 6.50 (5.74). Exchange on Amsterdam, 285.35 (285.46); London, 34.56⅛ (34.56); New York, 704 (704); Paris, 27.89½ (27.89½).—*Reuter*.

MILAN, Jan. 28.—Closing quotations:—Exchange on London, 92.99 (previous, 92.99½); Consolidato 5%, 79.60 (79.80); Banca d'Italia, 1,987 (1,996); Banca Commerciale, 1,442 (1,442); Banca Nationale di Credito, 556 (556); Banco di Roma, 117 (117); Credito Italiano, 796 (795); Cosulich Navigazione, 94¼ (94½); Meridionali, 1,190 (1,180); Navigazione Generale, 495 (496); Cantoni Coats, 740 (740); Soie Chatillon, 205 (205); Snia Viscosa, 72¼ (72½); Ilva, 225 (226); Monte Amiata, 275 (264); Montecatini, 256½ (256); Fiat, 368 (372); Adriatica, 245 (245½); Edison, 806 (805); Unione Esercizi Elettrici, 109 (108½); Terni, 408½ (412); Consorzio Mobiliare Finanziario, 821 (823); Adamello, 321 (324).

REVENUE RETURNS

The following table shows the Revenue and Expenditure for the week to Saturday last together with the increase or decrease compared with the corresponding period in the previous financial year:—

Revenue	Week to Jan. 25	April 1 to Jan. 25	April 1 to Jan. 25, Inc. or Dec.
	£	£	£
ORDINARY REVENUE			
INLAND REVENUE:			
Income-tax	8,670,000	108,248,000	− 792,000
Supertax	2,260,000	24,300,000	− 680,000
Estate, &c., Duties	2,010,000	63,450,000	− 1,500,000
Stamps	460,000	18,640,000	− 3,680,000
Land Tax, Hse. Duty, &c.	50,000	320,000	+ 70,000
TOTAL INLAND REVENUE	13,450,000	214,958,000	− 7,202,000
CUSTOMS AND EXCISE:—			
Customs	2,552,000	98,945,000	+ 574,000
Excise	1,265,000	107,700,000	− 6,394,000
TOTAL CUSTOMS AND EXCISE	3,817,000	206,645,000	− 5,820,000
Motor Veh. Duties (Exch. share)	*5,216,000	9,365,468	+ 5,355,401
Post Office (net receipts)	850,000	9,650,000	+ 250,000
Crown Lands	180,000	1,190,000	+ 70,000
Receipts from Sundry Loans	37,637	25,340,024	+ 3,532,644
Miscell. Ord. Receipts	95,273	8,643,129	− 3,718,896
TOTAL ORDINARY REVENUE	23,645,910	495,735,134	− 17,901,084
SELF-BALANCING REVENUE			
Post Office	850,000	46,250,000	+ 1,550,000
Motor Veh. Duties apportd. to Road Fund	1,034,000	14,980,532	− 4,114,401
TOTAL SELF-BALANCING REVENUE	1,884,000	61,230,532	− 2,564,401
OTHER RECEIPTS			
MONEY RAISED BY CREATION OF DEBT:—			
Und. Unempl. Ins. Acts, 1920 to 1928	260,000	5,020,000	− 4,350,000
By Treasury Bills	41,097,000	2,562,405,000	+ 331,627,000
5% Convsn. Ln., 1944-64	7,250,000	111,500,280	+ 111,500,280
By Nat. Savg. Certs.	1,000,000	32,600,000	− 50,000
Ways and Means Advances	20,440,000	582,850,000	+ 103,625,000

* It occasionally happens that large collections of duty reach the Exchequer at the end of the week, and the Road Fund share is paid out in the subsequent week; the Exchequer share is then temporarily swollen.

Expenditure	Week to Jan. 25	April 1 to Jan. 25	April 1 to Jan. 25 Inc. or Dec.
	£	£	£
ORDINARY EXPENDITURE			
Interest and Management of Nat. Debt	940,039	282,905,955	+ 2,171,717
Payts. to Local Tax Accts.	459,128	8,195,313	− 940,727
Payts. to N. Ireland Exch.	297,619	3,937,043	+ 348,009
Other Cons. Fund Services	29,063	2,610,171	+ 709,981
Supply Services (exclg. P.O.)	5,250,000	291,874,628	+ 16,126,722
TOTAL ORDINARY EXPENDITURE	6,984,849	589,523,108	+ 18,415,702
Sinking Fund	1,155,000	39,057,778	− 4,483,214
SELF-BALANCING EXPENDITURE			
Post Office	850,000	46,250,000	+ 1,550,000
Road Fund	1,034,000	14,980,532	− 4,114,401
TOTAL SELF-BALANCING EXPENDITURE	1,884,000	61,230,532	− 2,564,401
OTHER ISSUES			
TEMPORARY ADVANCES:—			
Und. Unempl. Ins. Acts, 1920 to 1928	260,000	5,020,000	− 4,350,000
ISSUES TO MEET CAP. EXPEND.:			
Und. Tel. (Money) Act, 1925, and P.O. and Tel. (Money) Act, 1928	450,000	8,600,000	− 50,000
REDEMPTION OF DEBT:—			
Treasury Bills	59,875,000	2,523,725,000	+ 524,565,000
Principal of Nat. Savg. Certs.	900,000	38,750,000	+ 2,900,000
Ways and Means Advances Repd.	23,640,000	585,170,000	− 38,015,000

The total INCOME for the week was £95,576,910, while OUTGOINGS amounted to £95,148,849. Thus the Exchequer balances were increased by £428,061 to £3,356,505.

In carrying out the operation of the sinking fund for the Chilean Government Five per Cent. Annuities bonds amounting to £25,620 of Series "A," £25,620 of Series "B," and £35,460 of Series "C" have been purchased, withdrawn from circulation, and cancelled.

Mails and Shipping

OUTWARD MAILS

TO-DAY'S DISPATCHES

Mails will be dispatched from London to the destinations shown.

The times given are the latest hours for posting at the General Post Office, King Edward-street, London, E.C.1. In some of the district offices collections will be closed earlier.

7.30 A.M.—To Canary Islands, Iceland.
9 A.M.—To Egypt, Palestine and Syria.
NOON.—To China (all parts)*, Japan*.
5.30 P.M.—To Newfoundland (Mag. Post).
6 P.M.—To Argentine, Chile (exc. North), Paraguay and Uruguay, Brazil (Rio and Santos), Dutch East Indies, East Africa (Kenya, Uganda, Zanzibar and Tanganyika), Egypt (exc. Port Said) and Sudan, Madagascar, Mauritius*, United States*, Bahamas, Bermuda, Bolivia, Central America, British Honduras, Guatemala, Honduras Republic, Nicaragua, Panama, Salvador, Cuba and Mexico, Chile (North), Colombia (exc. Santa Marta), Peru (exc. Iquitos), Ecuador.

TO-MORROW (THURSDAY)

2 A.M.—To Newfoundland.
7.30 A.M.—To Canary Islands (all parts), West Coast of Africa (Sierra Leone, Liberia, Gold Coast and Nigeria).
9 A.M.—To Egypt (exc. Port Said).
NOON.—To Argentine, Chile (exc. North), Paraguay and Uruguay, China (all parts)*, Japan*.
6 P.M.—To Australia, Ceylon, China (all parts), Dutch East Indies, East Africa (Kenya, Uganda, Zanzibar and Tanganyika), Egypt, Cyprus, Palestine, Sudan, &c., India, Aden, Persia (exc. North, Abadan, Bushire and Mohammerah), Seychelles, Iraq and Persia (Abadan, Bushire and Mohammerah), New Zealand, Straits Settlements, Siam, French Indo China, North Borneo, &c., West Coast of Africa (French Equatorial Africa (Gabon), French Senegal and Sudan, French Guinea, Ivory Coast, French Togoland, Dahomey and French Cameroons), Air Mail to Australia (Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney and all Eastern State Cities) and New Zealand.
8 P.M.—To Argentine, Chile (exc. North), Paraguay and Uruguay, Brazil (all parts), Falkland Islands, Peru (Iquitos).

FULL LIST OF DISPATCHES

In the following table are shown the main oversea mails, other than daily, including those set out above, to be dispatched shortly from London:—

Destination	Posting at G.P.O., London	
ARGENTINA, CHILE (exc. North), PARAGUAY AND URUGUAY:—		
Ital. pkt. (Giulio Cesare)	Jan. 29	6 p.m.
B. Star (Rodney Star)	Jan. 30	Noon
R.M.S.P. (Arlanza)	Jan. 30	8 p.m.
R.M.S.P.† (Arlanza)	Jan. 31	6 p.m.
Houlder (Dunster Grange)	Feb. 1	7.30 a.m.
Ital. pkt. (Conte Verde)	Feb. 5	6 p.m.
ASCENSION AND ST. HELENA: U.-Castle (Llandovery Castle)	Feb. 6	7.30 a.m.
AUSTRALIA: P. & O. (Rawalpindi and Mongolia)	Jan. 30	6 p.m.
Orient (Oronsay)	Feb. 6	6 p.m.
AUSTRALIA (Adelaide, &c.) AND ALL EASTERN STATE CITIES: Air Mail‖	Jan. 30	6 p.m.
BAHAMAS, BERMUDA, BOLIVIA, PERU (exc. Iquitos): Via N.Y. (Ile de France)	Jan. 29	6 p.m.
BRAZIL (Rio, Santos): Ital. pkt. (Giulio Cesare)	Jan. 29	6 p.m.
(all parts): R.M.S.P. (Arlanza)	Jan. 30	8 p.m.
(all parts): R.M.S.P.† (Arlanza)	Jan. 31	6 p.m.
(Rio, Santos): Ital. pkt. (Conte Verde)	Feb. 5	6 p.m.
CANADA (all parts): Direct (Montcalm)	Jan. 31	8 p.m.
(all parts): Via N.Y.† (Cedric)	Feb. 1	2 a.m.
(all parts): Via N.Y. (Mauretania)	Feb. 5	2 a.m.
(Mag. Post) (all parts): Direct (Montcalm)	Jan. 31	5.30 p.m.
CANARY ISLANDS (Las Palmas): Via Madrid and Cadiz	Jan. 29	7.30 a.m.
(all parts): E.D. (New Mexico)	Jan. 30	7.30 a.m.
(all parts): Via Madrid and Cadiz	Feb. 1	7.30 a.m.
(all parts): Ger. pkt. (Sultan)	Feb. 4	8 p.m.
CAPE VERD IS.: B. Star (Andalucia Star)	Feb. 6	7.30 a.m.
B. Star (Andalucia Star)	Feb. 6	6 p.m.
CENTRAL AMERICA (B. Honduras, Guatemala, Honduras Republic, Nicaragua, Panama, Salvador), CUBA AND MEXICO: Via N.Y. (Ile de France)	Jan. 29	6 p.m.
CEYLON: P. & O. (Rawalpindi and Mongolia)	Jan. 30	6 p.m.
Orient (Oronsay)	Feb. 6	6 p.m.
CHINA (all parts): Via Siberia*	Daily	Noon
(all parts): Via Suez (Rawalpindi)	Jan. 30	6 p.m.
(all parts): Via Vancouver (Montcalm and Emp. of Canada)	Jan. 31	8 p.m.
(all parts): Holt* (Calchas)	Feb. 4	6 p.m.
(Shang., N. China): Via N.Y. (Mauretania)	Feb. 5	2 a.m.
COLOMBIA (exc. S. Marta), CHILE (N.): Via N.Y. (Ile de France)	Jan. 29	6 p.m.
(S. Marta): E. & F. (Coronado)	Feb. 6	7.30 a.m.
COSTA RICA: E. & F. (Nicoya)	Jan. 31	8 p.m.
Via N.Y.† (Cedric)	Feb. 1	2 a.m.
Via N.Y. (Mauretania)	Feb. 5	2 a.m.
DUTCH EAST INDIES: Du. pkt. (Patria)	Jan. 29	6 p.m.
P. & O. (Rawalpindi)	Jan. 30	6 p.m.
EAST AFRICA (Kenya, Uganda, Zanzibar, and Tanganyika): Fr. pkt. (Ville des Strasbourg)	Jan. 29	6 p.m.
P. & O. (Rawalpindi)	Jan. 30	6 p.m.
ECUADOR: Via N.Y. (Ile de France)	Jan. 29	6 p.m.
EGYPT (exc. Pt. Said) AND SUDAN: Ital. pkt. (Vienna)	Jan. 29	6 p.m.
EGYPT (exc. Pt. Said): Ital. pkt. (Vienna)	Jan. 30	9 a.m.
EGYPT, CYPRUS, SUDAN, PALESTINE, &c.: P. & O. (Rawalpindi)	Jan. 30	6 p.m.
EGYPT, SUDAN, PALESTINE, &c.: Air Mail‖	Feb. 1	6 a.m.
EGYPT, SUDAN, PALESTINE AND SYRIA: Fr. pkt. (Lotus)	Feb. 1	6 p.m.
EGYPT, PALESTINE AND SYRIA: Ital. pkt. (Ausonia)	Jan. 29	9 a.m.
Ital. pkt. (Esperia)	Feb. 4	6 p.m.
Ital. pkt. (Esperia)	Feb. 5	9 a.m.
FALKLAND IS.: Via M'video (Arlanza)	Jan. 30	8 p.m.
FIJI: Direct (Zealandic)	Feb. 7	7.30 a.m.
GUIANAS (Br., Fr., and Du.): Harrison (Inanda)	Jan. 31	7.30 a.m.
Du. pkt. (Venezuela)	Feb. 1	7.30 a.m.
ICELAND: Direct (Gullfoss)	Jan. 29	7.30 a.m.
INDIA, ADEN, PERSIA (exc. North), (Abadan, Bushire, and Mohammerah) AND SEYCHELLES: P. & O. (Rawalpindi)	Jan. 30	6 p.m.
INDIA, IRAQ, PERSIA, AND PERSIAN GULF: Air Mail‖	Feb. 1	6 a.m.
IRAQ, PERSIA (Abadan, Bushire and Mohammerah) (Damascus-Baghdad): (Desert Motor Route)	Jan. 30	6 p.m.
JAMAICA: Via N.Y. (Cedric)	Feb. 1	2 a.m.
Via N.Y. (Mauretania)	Feb. 5	2 a.m.
JAPAN: Via Siberia*	Daily	Noon
Via Vancouver (Montcalm and Emp. of Canada)	Jan. 31	8 p.m.
Via N.Y. (Mauretania)	Feb. 5	2 a.m.
MADAGASCAR: Fr. pkt. (Ville de Strasbourg)	Jan. 29	6 p.m.
MADEIRA: U.-Castle (Carnarvon Castle)	Jan. 31	11.30 a.m.
MAURITIUS: Via Durban (Carnarvon Castle)	Jan. 31	11.30 a.m.
Fr. pkt.* (Ville de Strasbourg)	Jan. 29	6 p.m.
NEWFOUNDLAND: Direct (Nova Scotia)	Jan. 30	2 a.m.
Via Canada (Montcalm)	Jan. 31	8 p.m.
Via N.Y.† (Cedric)	Feb. 1	2 a.m.
Via N.Y. (Mauretania)	Feb. 5	2 a.m.
(Mag. Post): Direct (Nova Scotia)	Jan. 29	5.30 a.m.
(Mag. Post): Via Canada (Montcalm)	Jan. 31	5.30 p.m.
NEW ZEALAND: Via Suez (Rawalpindi and Mongolia)	Jan. 30	6 p.m.
Via Panama* (Corinthic)	Jan. 31	7.30 a.m.
Via 'Frisco (Mauretania and Makura)	Feb. 5	2 a.m.
NEW ZEALAND: Air Mail‖	Jan. 30	6 p.m.
PERU (Iquitos): R.M.S.P. (Arlanza)	Jan. 30	8 p.m.
R.M.S.P.† (Arlanza)	Jan. 31	6 p.m.
SOUTH AFRICA (Port Elizabeth, East London, Durban, &c.): Air Mail¶	Jan. 31	11.30 a.m.
SOUTH AFRICA, NYASALAND, &c.: U.-Castle (Carnarvon Castle)	Jan. 31	11.30 a.m.
STRAITS SETTLEMENTS: Holt* (Calchas)	Feb. 4	6 p.m.
STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, SIAM, FRENCH INDO-CHINA, NORTH BORNEO, &c.: P. & O. (Rawalpindi)	Jan. 30	6 p.m.
UNITED STATES: Fr. pkt.* (Ile de France)	Jan. 29	6 p.m.
W. Star (Cedric)	Feb. 1	2 a.m.
Via N.Y. (Mauretania)	Feb. 5	2 a.m.
VENEZUELA: Du. pkt. (Venezuela)	Feb. 1	7.30 a.m.
WEST COAST OF AFRICA: Belgian Congo (exc. Katanga) and Fr. Middle Congo: Bel. pkt. (Thysville)	Feb. 11	6 p.m.
Fr. Equatorial Africa (Gabon, Fr. Senegal, Sudan): Fr. pkt. (Hoggar)	Jan. 30	6 p.m.
Fr. Guinea, Ivory Coast, Fr. Togoland, Dahomey, Fr. Cameroons: Fr. pkt. (Hoggar)	Jan. 30	6 p.m.
Sierra Leone, Liberia: E.D. (New Mexico)	Jan. 30	7.30 a.m.
Sierra Leone, Gold Coast, Nigeria: Du. pkt. (Maaskerk)††	Jan. 30	7.30 a.m.
Sierra Leone, Liberia, Gold Coast, Nigeria: Ger. pkt.* (Sultan)	Feb. 4	8 p.m.
Br. Cameroons: Ger. pkt. (Sultan)	Feb. 4	8 p.m.
Fernando Po and Spanish Guinea: Ger. pkt. (Sultan)	Feb. 4	8 p.m.
Via Madrid and Cadiz	Feb. 16	7.30 a.m.
Gambia: E.D. (Dagomba)	Feb. 8	2 a.m.
Sierra Leone, Liberia, Gold Coast, Nigeria, Br. Togoland, Br. Cameroons: E.D. (Aba)	Feb. 12	2 a.m.
WEST INDIES (Leeward): Harrison (Inanda)	Jan. 31	7.30 a.m.
Du. pkt. (Venezuela)	Feb. 1	7.30 a.m.
(Barbados, &c.): Harrison (Inanda)	Jan. 31	7.30 a.m.
(Barbados, &c.): Du. pkt. (Venezuela)	Feb. 1	7.30 a.m.

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DISPATCHES OF PARCEL MAILS

Parcel mails will be dispatched to the destinations shown, the times given being the hours of posting at the General Post Office:—**TO-DAY, 11 A.M.**—To Argentine and Paraguay, Brazil (Bahia and Pernambuco), Brazil (Porto Alegre, Rio, Santos and Sao Paulo), Chile (exc. Magallanes) (via Argentine), Falkland Islands and S. Georgia (via Montevideo), Fiji (via New Zealand), Guianas (British and Dutch), Newfoundland, Uruguay, West Indies (Barbados, Grenada, St. Lucia, Trinidad and Tobago). **1.15 P.M.**—To Egypt, Cyprus, Palestine, Sudan and Syria, Gibraltar and Morocco, India, Iraq and Seychelles, Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika Territory, Malta. **TO-MORROW, 9 A.M.**—To Canada (exc. Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island), Canada (Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island only), China (via Canada), Dutch East Indies (exc. Sumatra), Dutch East Indies (Sumatra); Fiji (via Canada), Hong-kong (via Suez), Japan (via Canada), New Zealand (direct), Straits Settlements, Siam, &c. **11 A.M.**—To Canary Islands, Dutch West Indies, Mexico (direct), Sierra Leone, Venezuela, West Indies, Leeward Islands (exc. Tortola). **1.15 P.M.**—To Australia, Ceylon, New Zealand (via Australia), Nyasaland, Portugal, Portuguese East Africa, Rhodesia (via Beira), Rhodesia (via Cape Town), South Africa and Madeira.

INWARD MAILS DUE

Letter mails are expected from the following countries and will probably be delivered in London as shown:—**TO-DAY.**—Egypt and Sudan, by Italian packet. **TO-MORROW.**—U.S.A., Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Shanghai, North China, Bermuda, Bahamas, Jamaica, Mexico, Central America, Panama, and West Coast of South America, by ss. President Harding. U.S.A., Canada, Bermuda, Bahamas and British Honduras, by ss. Paris.

LINERS EXPECTED

The following table shows the approximate times at which, according to the latest information available, incoming liners are expected at home ports:—

TO-DAY

Orontes (Orient), from Australia; Plymouth, (8 a.m. Due London, Thursday, 10.30 a.m.
President Harding (U.S.L.), from New York; Plymouth, 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW

City of Shanghai (Ellerman), from Far East; Hull.
Paris (C.G.T.), from New York; Plymouth, noon.

FORTHCOMING SAILINGS

Particulars of forthcoming sailings of liners from this country will be found in the companies' announcements on page 2.

MOVEMENTS OF LINERS

(FROM OWNERS AND LLOYD'S)

ABERDEEN AND COMMONWEALTH LINE
Jervis Bay .. Fm. Brisbane, arr. Suez 28th.

AFRICAN
Adda .. For L'pool, left S. Leone 26th.
Bata .. Fm. W. Africa, arr. L'pool 28th.
Bassa .. For W. Africa, cld. Las Palmas 27th.
Bathurst .. For L'pool, cld. Teneriffe 25th.
Bereby .. For Sapele, cld. Las Palmas 27th.
Chama .. For Cont., cld. Dakar 26th.
Eboe .. For W. Africa, cld. Dakar 26th.
Egba .. For A'mouth, arr. Lagos 26th.
New Brighton .. For Dakar, left Teneriffe 25th.
Prahsu .. Fm. Cont., arr. Lagos 27th.

AMERICA-LEVANT LINE
Bactria .. For Savona, left Genoa 26th.
River Tigris .. Fm. Boston, arr. N.Y. 25th.

BEN LINE
Benalder .. Fm. U.K., arr. Yokohama 24th.
Benglom .. For Far East, arr. Dunkirk 28th.

BLUE FUNNEL
Achilles .. Fm. Japan, arr. Shanghai 25th.
Agamemnon .. For Ldn., left Yokohama 23rd.
Agapenor .. For N.Y., left Manila 24th.
Alcinous .. For Ldn., left Pt. Said 26th.
Antilochus .. Fm. Japan, arr. Singapore 25th.
Cyclops .. For L'pool, left Pt. Said 25th.
Demodocus .. For Ldn., left Shanghai 24th.
Elpenor .. For Hull, left Hobart 26th.
Eurylochus .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Belawan 25th.
Eurypylus .. Fm. R'dam., arr. Pt. Said 27th.
Jason .. Fm. Amsterdam, arr. Pt. Said 26th.
Ky. Companion .. Fm. Java, arr. L'pool 27th.
Peleus .. For L'pool, left Havre 27th.
Phemius .. For Ldn., left Penang 26th.
Philoctetes .. Fm. L'pool, arr. Yokohama 23rd.

BLUE STAR
Arandora Star .. Cruise, left Madeira 27th.

BOOTH
Francis .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Manaos 26th.
Hubert .. Fm. Para, arr. N.Y. 24th.
Justin .. Fm. Ceara, arr. Para 24th.

BRITISH AND AFRICAN
Badagry .. For Accra, left Lagos 26th.
Bompata .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Lagos 26th.
Jekri .. For Cont., arr. Lagos 27th.
Milverton .. For Cont., left Takoradi 25th.
New Brooklyn .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Grand Bassam 25th.
Onitsha .. For Cont., arr. Lagos 26th.

BULLARD KING
Umzumbi .. Fm. Rangoon, arr. Calcutta 28th.

CANADIAN PACIFIC
Beaverburn .. For Glasgow, left Halifax 25th.
Beaverdale .. Fm. St. John, arr. Ldn. 27th.
Beaverhill .. For Ldn., left St. John 26th.
Duchess of Bedford .. Fm. Willemstad, arr. Cristobal 26th.
Emp. of Asia .. Fm. V'couver, arr. Yokohama 26th.
Emp. of Scotland .. Fm. Sthmtn., arr. N.Y. 27th.

CHARGEURS REUNIS
Amiral V. de Joyeuse .. Fm. Hamburg, arr. Gd. Bassam 23rd.
Belle Isle .. For B. Aires, left Santos 25th.
Brazza .. For Bordeaux, cld. Dakar 25th.
Ceylan .. Fm. Hamburg, arr. Santos 27th.
Formose .. For Hamburg, cld. Rio Janeiro 27th.
Foucauld .. For Matadi, left Souellaba 23rd.
Fort Lamy .. Fm. Antwerp, arr. M'video 26th.
Jamaique .. Fm. B. Aires, arr. Lisbon 27th.
Swiatowid .. For B. Aires, left Santos 25th.

CLAN LINE
Clan Alpine .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Swansea 27th.
Clan Lindsay .. For Bombay, left Suez 28th.
Clan Macilwraith .. Fm. L'pool, arr. Chittagong 27th.
Clan Mackay .. Fm. Glasgow, arr. L'pool 27th.
Clan Mackellar .. Fm. Newport, arr. Swansea 25th.
Clan Macnaughton .. Fm. L'pool, arr. Lobito 27th.
Clan Macpherson .. For Dunkirk, left Launceston 28th.
Clan Mactaggart .. Fm. Australia, arr. Glasgow 27th.
Clan Murray .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Tuticorin 27th.
Clan Ranald .. For E. Ldn., left Lobito 27th.
Clan Sinclair .. Fm. E. Africa, arr. Mombasa 28th.
Clan Skene .. Fm. N.Y., arr. B. Aires 27th.
Haliartus .. For E. Africa, left Suez 27th.
Harmodius .. Fm. Norfolk, arr. N.Y. 26th.
Harmonides .. For Ldn., left Alleppey 26th.
Hesione .. Fm. Antwerp, arr. Middlesbro' 26th.
Hesperides .. For U.S.A., left Calicut 27th.
Hyacinthus .. For S. Africa, left Norfolk 27th.

COMPAGNIE GENERALE
Espagne .. Fm. Vera Cruz, arr. Corunna 27th.
St. Jean .. For Havre, cld. Callao 27th.

CUNARD AND ASSOCIATED LINES

CUNARD
Alaunia .. For Ldn., left Halifax 27th.
Ascania .. For Ldn., left Havre 28th.
Ausonia .. Fm. Ldn., arr. N.Y. 28th.
Carmania .. For N.Y., left Havana 28th.
Caronia .. Arr. N.Y. 28th.
Laconia .. For Brighton, left Barbados 28th.
Samaria .. Fm. L'pool, arr. N.Y. 27th.
Valacia .. For N.Z., left Newport N. 25th.

ANCHOR
Caledonia .. Fm. N.Y., left La Guayra 26th.
California .. For Glasgow, left N.Y. 23rd.
Cameronia .. For N.Y., sig. 489 miles W. of Inishtrahull 6 a.m. 27th.
Transylvania .. Fm. Clyde, arr. N.Y. 26th.

COMMONWEALTH AND DOMINION
Port Alma .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Sydney 27th.
Port Adelaide .. Fm. Australia, arr. Dunkirk 28th.
Port Auckland .. Fm. Australia, arr. Hull 27th.
Port Bowen .. For Brisbane, left Gravesend 28th.
Port Caroline .. For Australia, left Pt. Said 25th.
Port Fairy .. Fm. Geelong, arr. Brisbane 27th.
Port Fremantle .. Fm. Tees, arr. Newcastle 28th.
Port Hardy .. Fm. N. Zealand, arr. Halifax 25th.
Port Hobart .. Fm. Cont., arr. Middlesbrough 26th.
Port Huon .. For. U.K., left Australia 25th.
Port Nicholson .. Fm. Australia, arr. Ldn. 26th.
Port Pirie .. Fm. Fremantle, arr. Newcastle 25th.
Port Sydney .. For Napier, left Wellington 27th.

ELDERS AND FYFFES
Chagres .. For Bremen, left Tela 23rd.
Chirripo .. For R'dam, left S. Marta 23rd.
Orotava .. For Teneriffe, left L'pool 28th.
Patuca .. For W. Indies, left A'mouth 27th.
Sulaco .. For L'pool, left Pt. Limon 23rd.

ELLERMAN AND BUCKNALL
City of Perth .. Fm. Calcutta, arr. Philadel. 26th.

ELLERMAN'S CITY AND HALL
City of Benares .. Fm. Calcutta, arr. Madras 25th.
City of Calcutta .. Fm. Karachi, arr Barcelona 26th.
City of Lille .. For Shanghai, cld. Philadel. 26th.
City of London .. Fm. L'pool, arr. Bombay 27th.
City of Simla .. Fm. Mchstr., arr. Pt. Said 28th.
City of Singapore .. For Ldn., left Pt. Said 25th.
Walton Hall .. For L'pool, left Pt. Said 25th.

FURNESS LINES
Newfoundland .. Fm. Boston, arr. St. John's 27th.
Pacific Enterprise .. Left Vancouver 25th.
Quernmore .. For Bourgas, left Istanbul 26th.

GLEN
Glengarry .. For Yokohama, arr. Kobe 28th.
Gleniffer .. For U.K., left Oran 26th.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA
Cleveland .. For Hamburg, cld. Sthmtn. 27th.
Leverkusen .. For Hamburg, left Philadel. 25th.

HAMBURG SUD AMERIKA
Cap Norte .. For B. Aires, left La Coruna 28th.
Monte Sarmiento .. For Hamburg, left Rio de Jan. 28th.

HARRISON
Benefactor .. Fm. L'pool, arr. Tampico 25th.
Chancellor .. Left Barranquilla 22nd.
Colonial .. For L'pool, left N. Orleans 26th.
Explorer .. For Ldn., left Pt. Sudan 27th.
Gladiator .. Fm. L'pool, arr. Barbados 26th.
Governor .. Fm. L'pool, left Dar es Salaam 20th.
Historian .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Beira 25th.
Inkoma .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Trinidad 24th.
Professor .. Fm. Demerara, arr. Hull 27th.
Scholar .. Fm. Newport, arr. Pt. Natal 25th.
Specialist .. For Brazil, left Demerara 23rd.
Traveller .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Trinidad 23rd.
Wayfarer .. For L'pool, left Brazil 26th.

HENDERSON
Mandalay .. Fm. Tees, arr. Norfolk, Va., 27th.
Sittang .. Fm. Calcutta, arr. Suez 27th.

HOLLAND-AMERIKA
Spaarndam .. For N. Orleans, left Havana 25th.

HOULDER
Upwey Grange .. Fm. R. Plate, arr. Santos 27th.

LAMPORT AND HOLT
Biela .. Fm. R. Plate, arr. Boston 27th.

LEYLAND
Darian .. Fm. Jacksonville, arr. Charleston 26th.
Median .. For Nassau, left Bermuda 27th.
Mercian .. Fm. Curacao, arr. Pto. Colombia 26th.
Napierian .. Fm. Boston, arr. Baltimore 26th.
Nubian .. For Philadel., left Boston 27th.

MANCHESTER LINERS
Mchstr. Citizen .. Fm. St. John, arr. Philadel. 27th.
Mchstr. Division .. Fm. St. John, arr. Halifax 25th.
Mchstr. Exporter .. Fm. Norfolk, arr. Philadel. 26th.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES
Chantilly .. For M'seilles, left Djibouti 24th.
D'Artagnan .. For M'seilles, left Pt. Said 26th.
Gen. Voyron .. For Mauritius, left Tamatave 26th.
Lte. de Lisle .. For M'seilles, left Diego Suarez 25th.
Meinam .. For Dunkirk, left Oran 24th.

NEDERLAND ROYAL MAIL
Christiaan Huygens .. Fm. Amsterdam, arr. Pt. Said 28th.
Poelau Roebiah .. Fm. Hamburg, arr. Pt. Said 28th.
Prins der Nederlanden .. For Sourabaya, left Sabang 28th.
Sembilan .. For Batavia, arr. Norfolk, Va., 28th.

NELSON
Highland Brigade .. For R. Plate, left R. Janeiro 27th.
Highland Warrior .. For R. Plate, left Vigo 27th.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA
Anyo Maru .. Fm. Hong-kong, arr. Frisco 27th.
Awa Maru .. For Bombay, left Colombo 27th.
Dakar Maru .. Fm. Yokohama, arr. Valencia 24th.
Durban Maru .. For L'pool, left Colombo 27th.
Hakata Maru .. For Yokohama, left Mossel B. 27th.
Hakusan Maru .. For Ldn., left Yokohama 27th.
Ivo Maru .. For Shanghai, left Hong-kong 27th.
Katori Maru .. For Yokohama, left Suez 25th.
Lyons Maru .. For Yokohama, left Hong-kong 27th.
Matsuye Maru .. Fm. Copenhagen, arr. R'dam 27th.
Nagato Maru .. Fm. Osaka, arr. Singapore 28th.
Shidzuoka Maru .. Fm. V'couver, arr. Yokohama 27th.
Suwa Maru .. For Ldn., left M'seilles 27th.
Tatsuno Maru .. For N.Y., left Yokohama 27th.
Tsuyama Maru .. Fm. Boston, arr. Philadel. 26th.
Yamagata Maru .. Fm. Kobe, arr. Hong-kong 26th.
Yokohama Maru .. For Shanghai, left Victoria 25th.

PACIFIC STEAM
Esequibo .. For Cristobal, left Havana 27th.
Losada .. Fm. San Antonio, arr. L'pool 28th.

P. & O. AND ASSOCIATED LINES

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
Barrabool .. For Brisbane, left Colombo 28th.
Bendigo .. For Ldn., cld. Colombo 27th.
Burdwan .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Calcutta 26th.
Chitral .. For Ldn., left Melbourne 28th.
Comorin .. For Sydney, cld. Fremantle 28th.
Kashmir .. For Yokohama, left Hong-kong 28th.
Khyber .. For Ldn., left M'seilles 27th.
Rajputana .. For Ldn., left Pt. Said 27th.
Ranpura .. For Ldn., left Gib. 27th.

BRITISH INDIA
Ellora .. Fm. Bombay, arr. Zanzibar 28th.
Hatimura .. For Bombay, left Gravesend 27th.
Karagola .. For Lourence Marques, left Pt. Natal 27th.
Khandalla .. For Pt. Natal, left Dar es Salaam 27th.
Malda .. For Ldn., left Pt. Sudan 28th.
Manora .. For Calcutta, left Suez 27th.
Masula .. For U.K., arr. Bombay 28th.
Morvada .. For Calcutta, left Colombo 27th.
Narbada .. Arr. Dunedin 28th.
Nerbudda .. Fm. Adelaide, arr. A'mouth 28th.
Nevasa .. Fm. Bombay, arr. Sthmtn. 28th.
Takada .. For Calcutta, left Singapore 28th.
Takliwa .. Fm. Calcutta, arr. Hong-kong 27th.
Talamba .. Fm. Yokohama, arr. Calcutta 28th.
Talma .. Fm. Yokohama, arr. Osaka 26th.
Warina .. For Rangoon, left Bombay 27th.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING
Hurunui .. Fm. L'pool, arr. Adelaide 28th.
Limerick .. Fm. Newcastle, arr. Brisbane 27th.
Rotorua .. Fm. L'pool, arr. Auckland 28th.

FEDERAL
Huntingdon .. Fm Australia, arr. Dunkirk 28th.
Middlesex .. For Fremantle, left Aden 28th.

UNION OF NEW ZEALAND
Hauraki .. Fm. Adelaide, arr. Vancouver 26th.
Makura .. For 'Frisco, left Wellington 28th.
Niagara .. Fm. Vancouver, arr. Auckland 27th.

PRINCE
African Prince .. Fm. R. Plate, arr. Las Palmas 27th.
Brazilian Prince .. For Victoria, left Rio de Janeiro 26th.
Cingalese Prince .. For Shanghai, left Kobe 26th.
Corsican Prince .. Fm. N.Y., arr. R. Plate 27th.
Cyprian Prince .. Fm. Syrian Cst., arr. Mersey 26th.
Indian Prince .. For N.Y., left Pt. Elizabeth 25th.
Lancastrian Prince .. Fm. Falmouth, arr. Tunis 27th.
Royal Prince .. For Sourabaya, left Macassar 26th.
Sicilian Prince .. For Al'andria, left Malta 25th.

RED STAR
Lapland .. For Havana, left N.Y. 25th.
Westernland .. For Antwerp, left N.Y. 24th.

ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET
Araguaya .. On Cruise, left Havana 27th.
Carnarvonshire .. For Japan, arr. Ldn. 27th.
Lochgoil .. For L'pool, left Los Angeles 25th.

SILVER LINE
Silverbeech .. For Pt. Said, left Colombo 27th.
Silverbelle .. Fm. Manila, arr. Soerabaya 26th.
Silvercedar .. Fm. Soerabaya, arr. 'Frisco 25th.
Silvermaple .. Fm. Kobe, arr. Shanghai 27th.
Silverpine .. Fm. Kobe, arr. Shanghai 27th.

UNION-CASTLE
Guildford Castle .. For Ldn., left Zanzibar 28th.

UNITED STATES LINES
American Farmer .. For Ldn., cld. Plymouth 27th.

WHITE STAR
Adriatic .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Gib. 28th.

YEOWARD LINE
Avoceta .. For Las Palmas, left Lisbon 25th.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS

(FROM OWNERS AND LLOYD'S.)

American Farmer .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Ldn. 28th.
Av. R. Garros .. Fm. Mauritius, arr. M'seilles 25th.
Azay le Rideau .. Fm. Haiphong, arr. M'seilles 27th.
Bhamo .. Fm. Rangoon, arr. M'seilles 28th.
Caledonia .. For Colon, left Curacao 27th.
Calgaric .. Cruise, arr. Curacao 27th.
Capitaine Faure .. For Dairen, left Dunkirk 26th.
City of Agra .. For India, left St. John 26th.
City of Birmingham .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Abadan 27th.
City of Christiania .. Fm. Beira, arr. Almeria 28th.
City of Delhi .. Fm. Geelong, arr. Brisbane 26th.
City of Dundee .. For Boston, left Colombo 28th.
City of Florence .. Fm. Pt. Pirie, arr. Birkenhead 27th.
City of Hereford .. For Yokohama, left Shanghai 28th.
City of Kimberley .. For Dairen, left Chinwangtao 28th.
City of Kobe .. Left Manila 28th.
City of Lille .. Fm. Ldn., arr. N.Y. 27th.
City of Lincoln .. Fm. Philadel., arr. N.Y. 25th.
City of Manila .. Fm. Baltimore, arr. Bombay 28th.
City of Mobile .. Left Adelaide 26th.
City of Osaka .. For Philadel., left Colombo 27th.
City of Pittsburg .. Fm. Baltimore, arr. Colombo 27th.
City of Roubaix .. For U.K., left Fremantle 22nd.
City of Windsor .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Wallaroo 23rd.
Columbus .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Madeira 28th.
Desna .. Fm. L'pool, arr. B. Aires 27th.
Emp. of Asia .. For Hong-kong, left Yokohama 26th.
Fantee .. For L. Marques, left Beira 28th.
Franconia .. On Cruise, left Naples 27th.
Garth Castle .. For Beira, cld. St. Helena 28th.
Gen. Metzinger .. Fm. M'seilles, arr. Yokohama 26th.
Glengorm Castle .. Fm. Hamburg, arr. Pt. Natal 28th.
Hakata Maru .. Fm. B. Aires, arr. Algoa B. 28th.
Herefordshire .. Fm. Colombo, arr. Bassein 27th.
Kamakura Maru .. Fm. Yokohama, arr. L. Marques 28th.
Karagola .. Fm. Pt. Natal, arr. L. Marques 28th.
Klipfontein .. Fm. R'dam, arr. Beira 28th.
La Bourdonnais .. For Houston, left N.Y. 27th.
Ldn. Corporation .. Fm. Ldn., arr. N.Y. 26th.
Ldn. Importer .. Fm. Clyde, arr. Los Angeles 25th.
Louqsor .. Fm. Noumea, arr. M'seilles 27th.
Megantic .. Cruise, due Monaco 29th.
Minnetonka .. Fm. Ldn., arr. N.Y. 27th.
Nickerie .. Fm. Paramaribo, cld. Barbados 26th.
Ontario .. Fm. Havre, arr. N.Y. 27th.
Pacific Enterprise .. Fm. V'couver, arr. Tacoma 26th.
Pacific President .. Fm. V'couver, arr. 'Frisco 26th.
Sagama River .. For B. Aires, left Newport 28th.
Somersetshire .. For Karachi, left Gib. 26th.
Sphinx .. For M'seilles, left Shanghai 25th.
Thuringia .. For Hamburg, left N.Y. 27th.
Ville d'Amiens .. For Dunkirk, left M'seilles 25th.

CASUALTY REPORTS

(FROM LLOYD'S)

ALEGRETE.—St. Catherines Point, Jan. 27.—Following received from Niton Radio:—Following from Brazilian s. Alegrete, Rio Grande for Hamburg, at 11.30 p.m.:—Aground in fog near Havre. Is being assisted by tug.

BARRHILL.—Portishead Wireless Station, Jan. 28.—Following received from British s. Barrhill, Hull for Melbourne:—Sustained sea damage, require urgent repairs.

LITIOPA.—The following telegram has been received from Oslo, dated Jan. 27:—Litiopa left San Pedro, Dec. 29, destined Yokohama for orders, may meantime have received wireless instructions by time charterers to go to Chinese port, as often happened previously this route. Voyage Yokohama calculated 20 to 21 days; Chinese port 30 to 31 days. Owner has not expected hear anything so far; his opinion steamer is not likely to be overdue.

In reply to inquiry, the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Company, charterers of above vessel, state that the Litiopa was due at Yokohama on Jan. 22, where she was to discharge part cargo, and then proceed to Manila. They further state that no instructions have been given by them to the vessel redirecting her to another port.

SUTTON HALL.—Portishead Wireless Station, Jan. 27.—Following received from British s. Sutton Hall, before reported:—Rigging fittings in bridge space, and shall try and proceed with cattle to Birkenhead. May have to call Lisbon and replenish bunkers. Still hove to.

FREIGHT MARKETS

On the Baltic Shipping Exchange yesterday the charter market was depressed on the suspension of chartering for grain from practically every exporting country. Rates in the circumstances were largely nominal, with the tendency against owners owing to the excessive volume of tonnage known to be open for early employment. River Plate rates remained about unchanged at the recent very low level, and in the case of Australia the repetition of recent rates was doubtful. Further tonnage, however, was required for ore from Whyalla to the Continent, also to Baltimore. Sugar from Pernambuco to the U.K./Continent was arranged at 14s. 6d., and salt from Mariupol to the Far East paid 24s.

Fixtures included the following:—Pernambuco.—Milton, 5,500 tons, U.K./Continent, 14s. 6d., sugar, Feb.-March. Gulf.—Luminous (tank), 6,500 tons, London, 37s., clean oil, March. Mariupol.—Portsea, 7,000 tons, 10 per cent., Vladivostock or Hakodate, basis 24s., salt, March-April. Poti.—Felce, 8,200 tons, Rotterdam, 11s. 6d., March. Calcutta.—Temple Mead, 7,000 tons, 10 per cent., Porto Okha, Rs.6.4, Bombay, Rs.6, coal, Feb.-March.

Marine Insurance will be found on page 25.

QUARTERLY SHIPPING LOSSES

Returns prepared by Lloyd's Register of Shipping show that the gross reduction in the mercantile marine of the world from all causes during the quarter ended September 30 was represented by 188 vessels, of 495,967 tons gross, of which 31 were British and 157 foreign.

Of this shipping, 72 vessels, of 110,913 tons gross, were lost in consequence of casualty or stress of weather, 12 being British and 60 foreign. One hundred and sixteen vessels, of 385,054 tons gross, were lost otherwise than in consequence of casualty or stress of weather, of which 19 were British and 97 foreign.

AUCTION SUMMARY

PROPERTY (TOWN, SUBURBAN, AND COUNTRY) SALES THIS DAY

Auctioneers	Place of Sale	Description
Chamblain and Willows	The Mart, E.C. (2.30)	Freehold and Leasehold Properties
R. Tidey and Son	Do. (2.30)	Leasehold Property
Baxter, Payne and Lepper	Do. (2.30)	Freehold Properties
Robson and Perrin	Do. (2.30)	Freehold and Leasehold Properties
Linnett, Lane and Bettridge	Do. (2.30)	Freehold and Leasehold Properties
Denney and Co.	Do. (2.30)	Leasehold Property
Fuller, Horsey and Co.	Do. (3.0)	Freehold Property
R. Turner and Son	Town Hall, Bentham (—)	Freehold Properties

FURNITURE, WORKS OF ART, &c. SALES THIS DAY

Auctioneers	Place of Sale	Description
Killick and Davies	South Lynn School, Mill Gap-road, Eastbourne (11.0)	Furniture, &c.
Protheroe and Morris	67, Cheapside, E.C. (11.0)	Bulbs
Debenham, Storr and Sons	26, King-st., Covent Garden, W.C. (12.0)	Choice Furs
Protheroe and Morris	67, Cheapside, E.C. (12.30)	Roses, Fruit Trees, &c.
Giffard, Robertson and Lucey	48, Porchester-terrace, W. (1.0)	Contents of the Residence
Sotheby and Co.	34-5, New Bond-street, W. (1.0)	Rare Books and Pictures
Christie, Manson and Woods	King-st., St. James', S.W. (1.0)	Rare Silver
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The Estate Market

A MAYFAIR SALE

"FILM STUDIOS"

The auction, that had been fixed for to-day, of No. 2, Grosvenor-square and Nos. 1 and 2, Three Kings'-yard, will not take place, as Messrs. Curtis and Henson (Mount-street) have privately disposed of the property. The sale of the furniture will begin to-day. The firm, acting for Lord Cavan, may offer the Portman lease of No. 22, Great Cumberland-place next month, but it is likely to be sold beforehand. The mansion has an electric lift, central heating, parquet floors, and an ample number of bathrooms. There is a garage with accommodation for the chauffeur. The ground-rent is low.

Since the auction at Ipswich, Messrs. John D. Wood and Co. (Mount-street), with Messrs. Woodward and Woodward and Messrs. Hunt and Pedder (Stowmarket), have sold Buxhall Vale, 30 acres, the house of the late Mr. Eugene Wells, a Master of the Suffolk Hounds.

Fruit is grown on part of Thorpe Hall estate, 536 acres, four miles from Cromer, a freehold for auction by Messrs. Ireland (Norwich) next month.

Hampstead sales for £430,000, apart from leasehold transactions, have been carried out in the last 12 months by Messrs. Goldschmidt and Howland (Heath-street), who report a keen inquiry for flats and furnished houses.

Newbury property, The Creek, Henwick, 31 acres, is to be sold by Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley and Messrs. Thake and Paginton. A low "upset" price will be named for Witley, near Parkstone, to be offered by Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley.

A formal announcement appeared in *The Times* yesterday (p. 26) of the proposed sale, by Messrs. Frank G. Bowen, Limited (Aldersgate-street), of Whitehall Film Studios, Boreham Wood, Elstree. The two acres of land have a theatre and other buildings with a floor area of 27,000 square feet.

Coming sales by Messrs. Leopold Farmer and Sons (Gresham-street) fill a column of *The Times*, and include, at the Mart next Wednesday, February 5, Marsh Mills, a riverside freehold in Henley-on-Thames, the firm having also to sell 33 acres of freehold land in Rosherville, Gravesend, jointly with Mr. Robert Matthews (Gravesend); a factory and freehold land in West Croydon, jointly with Messrs. Bowditch and Grant (Croydon); and factories in Leicester. Their March auctions will probably include those of large factories in Islington and Hornsey. Details of the various offers have been published in *The Times*.

Prices are quoted for detached freeholds in Cheam and Belmont by Messrs. Morgan, Baines, and Clark (Sutton). One is offered for £3,850 and the other for £5,500. Both have large gardens and detached garages.

Regent's Park residences, for sale by Messrs. Folkard and Hayward (Baker-street), include next Tuesday Crown leaseholds in Chester-terrace, one jointly with Messrs. Farebrother, Ellis, and Co. (Fleet-street), and another in York-terrace. A new house in St. John's Wood will be sold, and, at a later auction, a house in Albert-road.

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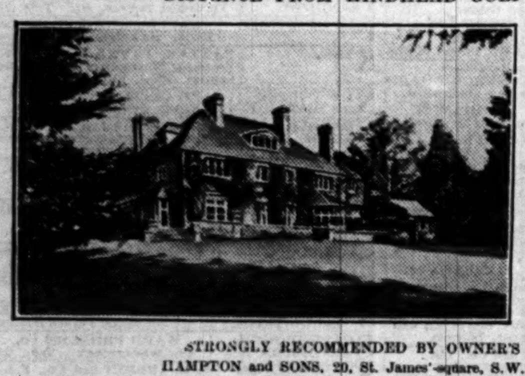

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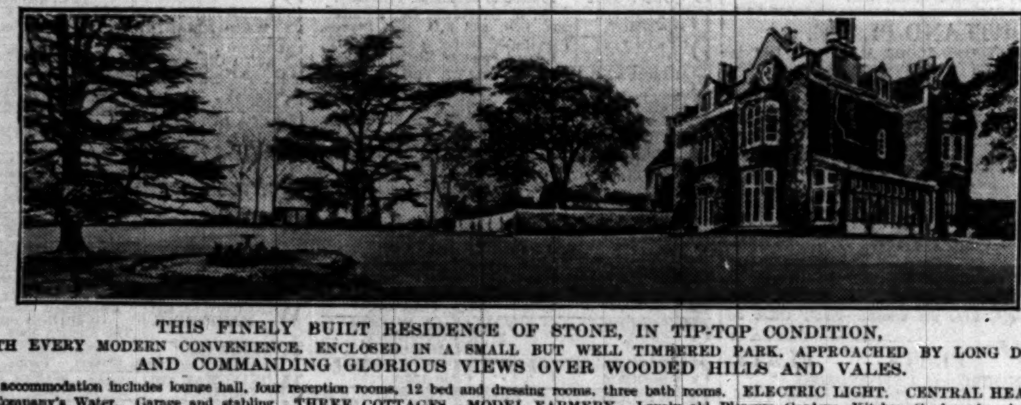

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